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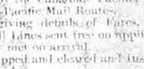

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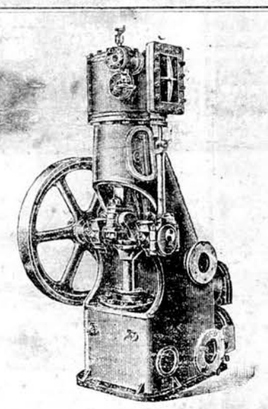

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ARRIVALS.

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A. Bragden ...	...	London.
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TELEGRAMS.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

...ing steamer Borneo, arrived at London on the morning of the 29th ultimo.

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...The R.M.S.P. Co's steamer Edward, left Aden at 7-45 p.m. on the 1st instant.

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HIGH COURT.—JULY 3.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE CHANDAVARKAR.)

Short Cause.

...Khimji Jetha and 3 ... Bombay Trading Co. Limited and ... Lakhmichand and others ... Tribhovandas and Co. ... Jugjivan Ghelabhai Shivkaran Kalidas, (1) on merits and ... Interlocutory.

...Gopal Govind Jadhavji Jyadharji and others ... Savaldas ... Bai Jethibai widow of Khatau Hapu Hoogo ... Bai Jethibai widow of Khatau Hapu Hoogo ... Crawford Bros and Co.—Johnston Fachiri ... Liquidator Khimji and ... Crawford and Co.—Hirjee Cullen and others ... Maneckjee ... Sorabji Rustomji Chandmal ... Hafiz Sakoor ... Haji Ibrahim.

...Pestonji D. and ... Rajabhoy Purshotim Paranpye ... Khanbhai Umarji Bilimia, Ardeshir H. D and Co.

...For Judgment on motion and disposal.

...Kasim and Mahomed Hajee Ismail Noorani ... Abdool Karim Haji Noorani and others—Pestonji and H. Rustom B. and P. and ... and Co

...Suit on hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

...Jeejeebhoy ... Abdulla widow ex Abdulla Haji Mahomed ... and others—Thakersey and Co.—Earl Brothers.

...Khimji and ... Vessey Khanna and Co.—Sophia ... Mackenzie and Co.—Earl Brothers.

...The following Exceptions on Commissioner's Report ...

...Ardeshir and Co.—Sorabji Mahomed Hajee Ismail Noorani ... Mahomed Ebrahim H. B. Rahimi Noorani and others—R. D. ... and Pestle and Co.

...Noorani and Co.—Haji Jan Mahomed Haji Mahomed ... Noor Mahomed and Co.—Thakurdas and Co.—and Wadia G. and ... and Person.

...Hirjibai D.—Musa Yacub ... Mandal Ajitrai ... Bankruptcy ... Mandlawala and K. and Hiralal and Dayal Mohta and ...

...Lalji Babuji ... Ezekiah Mathoolia and ... Mandlawala and K. and Hiralal and Dayal Mohta and ...

...Ismail ... Janoojee Cowasji ... Nowrojee ... Ardeshir and Co.

...Shaik Ibrahim Khalifa ... Shaik Ismail Ajeeb ... Archbold Stobie and Co. and Wadia G. and ...

...Bhagwandas D. and D. Jaibai Bakorbhai ... Mahomedbhai ... Thakurdas and Co.—Thakurdas and Co.—and Person.

...Matter of an Arbitration out of Court between The Parties ... Suit out of Court Where in Lecords ... and ... Bombay and Bombay for the defendant and in the Matter of the Arbitration Act IX of 1859. Lowndes ... and others ... Petitioners.

Long Causes.

...Hall v. The Cawasjee Dinshaw Engineer ... Bhimsi Nihal ... Dinshaw, Cawasji and P.

...Cawasjee Dinshaw Engineer ... Khanderao ... Dinshaw and P.

...Hall v. The Cawasjee Dinshaw Engineer ... Khanderao ... Dinshaw and P. and R.—Sharanji Burmanji and ... and Jakhoo maganbhai ... and G.

...Bhagwandas ... Bhaichand ... Ashanbu Shaik Ibrahim and others—Inspanial Limited.

...Shaik ... and Mackinnon, Mackenzie ... Abdulla and others—Inspanial Limited.

...Gopal ... and Motilal and others ... Vinayek Mannaji Bhandare and others—Edgelow and ...

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TUESDAY, JULY 3, 1906.

THE REORGANISATION OF AMERICA'S ARMY.

THE many who can claim knowledge of the Continental Armies seldom possess much in regard to the American Army. The reason for this is the American Army is but little in evidence; it is not assembled in large bodies for grand military displays, as is customary in other countries. Nor could it be, for it is scattered and distributed in garrisoning one hundred and thirty posts, in only seven of which is an entire regiment collected; Fort Leavenworth, the largest garrison of them all, being able to boast of twenty-three companies, comprising all the different branches of the service. These garrisons, sixty-eight of which are coast defence forts, take up a force of forty-five thousand men and are controlled and administered by the Head-quarters of the Army at Washington. There are post-commanders and departmental commanders, but these are appointments distinct from that of the Major-Generals who are employed in commanding groups of detached posts, chiefly coast artillery. No army can be maintained in an efficient state under such a system or want of system, as this. The United States of America—claiming and accorded a voice in the Council of the Nations—with the exception of the coast artillery, possesses no trained or organised regular army in the usually accepted meaning of the term. In the current number of "Scribner's Magazine," an officer of the United States' Army pleads for reform and the reorganization of the Army. His scheme is simple and comprehensive and it is strange that Congress is blind to the great benefits to be derived by the adoption of this, or some such similar scheme of reform. It appears that when the question of the scattered posts was brought before Congress, contrary to the advice of the War Department, they were allowed to remain, instead of abolishing them, in favour of garrisons of brigades, and the only reform in this direction ventured upon was to collect the scattered companies into some of the posts, and endeavour to maintain a complete regiment there as the largest unit obtainable.

We are told that a considerable amount of individual and local interests are bound up with the small post systems—hence the difficulty of abolishing them. But, again, we are told that the members of Congress, as a whole, are profoundly interested in the welfare and efficiency of the Army. This interest might serve some useful purpose, could it but open their eyes to the great debate that is likely to follow, should these scattered forces of the States have one day to be assembled and opposed to the trained and organised army of some European Power. The States claim to have a decided and fixed military policy, an efficient general staff with a chief who will make himself heard; hence some much needed reform requires only the support of Congress. The writer of the article observes that the conditions of military service in the States is similar to our own, inasmuch as "ours is a voluntary service and that each country believes in the efficiency of a small but highly trained force. He, therefore, takes Aldershot as a pattern of the training camp that should form the centre of instruction of each division of the Army. Our great trainings camp appears to meet with the writer's general approval, so much so that he states: "I believe the most instructive place in Europe for an American military man is Aldershot." Not only on its training grounds, but in the officers' and sergeants' messes, the barrack-room, the canteen, the corporals' room, the subalterns' quarters, we have much to show that this American officer considers worth adopting. In his scheme for the re-organization of the American Army, he advocates the forming of five such centres as Aldershot, but on a much reduced scale. Each of these centres is to be the head-quarters of a complete division, organised as were the Japanese divisions in the late war. Each division, in the area assigned to it, would carry out its own recruiting, training and special manœuvres.

The States are to be divided up into six large areas, five of which would be apportioned to the five mobile divisions and the sixth to a Cavalry division. The flexible and mobile division is to consist each of six regiments of infantry, with militia brigade in training during a part of the year, six batteries of artillery, four regiments of cavalry, two companies of engineers and four companies of signal corps. The sixth division of the country would be a suitable area for the five remaining regiments of cavalry and six horse battalions. For this distribution of the Army it is claimed that a force could be concentrated, fully equipped and ready to take the field at any point in the least possible time, and that a division so organised has been proved in the late war in Manchuria to be a powerful fighting unit. But a great deal more than this may also be claimed for the scheme: it will form the scattered forces of the United States into a trained and organised army; senior officers will have facilities for obtaining experience in manœuvring these arms, of which at present it would appear they have none at all, especially the Major-Generals at present employed in commanding coast artillery, presumably the only occupation that can be found for them. The scheme as outlined appears simple, in view of the advantages to be derived from its institutions; advantages so apparent that it would appear unnecessary to take them in detail, but they can be more easily realised when one considers the present state of the American Army. According to the writer of the article, now under notice, the higher officers can have no experience of the administration, supply or transport necessary in connection with a moderately large force. Those arms never working together have no experience of that cohesion, that must exist between each, in time of war, to ensure success. All such reforms as this involve the removal of incompetents and it is from this quarter that the greatest opposition may be expected. It remains to be seen whether Congress has the inclination or the power to put aside individual and local claims, in preference to those of the State and whether the incompetents in the Army, who are, of course, quite satisfied with the present state of things, have sufficient interest at Washington to block a much needed reform.

INFANTILE MORTALITY. THE problem of the high rate of infantile mortality in the large cities of England, but more especially in London is one which will have to be seriously faced by Parliament before long. That it should have escaped attention so long is a gross scandal. From time to time Coroners utter stern warnings to parents who appear in their courts, in affairs not without grounds for suspicion, but the very easy crime of infanticide is rarely brought home to the delinquents, and there is no doubt whatever that it is not infrequently practised. But the problem of infant mortality goes further than this. The birth rate is steadily declining. Proportionately there were four births less in every thousand persons last year than fifty years ago, which means that there would be sixty thousand more children born this year in the United Kingdom if the rate were equal to what it then was. Some compensation is found in the death-rate, which has fallen fourteen per cent. among males and nineteen per cent. among females, but this saving of life does not apply to infants. Their death-rate remains stationary at an appallingly high figure. For it comes to this, that out of every 100,000 infants born in England and Wales, 17,739 will not live to see their first birth-day, and nearly 25,000 will die before their fifth. The nation is losing every year 120,000 infants under twelve months old, and this in spite of greatly improved sanitary and hygienic conditions both in town and country, and of the mastery which medical science has established over many diseases before which the faculty had stood almost helpless for centuries. Under any circumstances, this waste of child life would be deplorable; in face of a decreasing birth-rate, due to later marriages and a score of other reasons, it becomes of the highest importance to the State that the waste should be stopped. Dr. Newman, the Medical Officer of Health for Finsbury, has gained some notoriety in his crusade against this terrible wastage which is exceptionally high in the area in which he works, but it by no means stands alone. An examination of the world's statistics shows that infantile mortality varies from as low as eight per cent. to as high as two hundred and fifty which would seem to establish a primâ facie case that much can be done to check the evil where it exists. Dr. Newman, naturally, devotes his closest scrutiny to the English statistics, and these are exceedingly interesting. They show, for example, that, from 1845 to 1905, no wide divergence of mortality is noticeable in the English counties. The highest rates occur in the North and North Midland districts; that is to say, in the industrial, and particularly in the mining and textile, regions in Northumberland, Durham, the East and West Ridings, Lancashire, Cheshire, Staffordshire, Nottinghamshire, Leicestershire, and Warwickshire. The counties with the lowest rates are Westmoreland, Wiltshire, and Dorset. This is not surprising. Where women work in factories, it is obvious that their children must suffer. Nevertheless, the counties with the highest death-rates in the first trimester are those which have the lowest general infant mortality rates. The working woman too often spends time in manual labour which should be devoted to the home and care of the child. Such women cannot nurse their children who have thus to be left to the care of others—a care which is often simply nominal. Carelessness prevails, and always has prevailed, with the lower classes, in their care of children, and ignorance and carelessness as to the physical necessities of life may mean little to the adult, but they are unpardonable where infancy is concerned. The only conclusion which can be reached by anyone who cares to study the subject is that among a large section of the population the life of an infant is regarded very lightly and its death occasions no real regret.

THE "YELLOW PERIL." THE Russo-Japanese War has produced many curious effects, but not the least is that upon those whose cry of "Yellow Peril" has found something on which to rest. In their desire to decry the Japanese they have drawn a glowing picture of Japan spreading out its enthusiasm so that it shall envelop China, awakening and arming the slumbering masses to join in an alliance, offensive and defensive, against the nations of the West. China and Japan are united by the sympathies born of proximity of years, but China is as different from Japan as is a Russian peasant from an English artisan. The Chinese do not love the Japanese. On the contrary, they have justification for long and bitter hatred. Even the recent war which has gained for Japan the respect of the West, has only served to stir up in the hearts of the Chinese, chagrin at seeing the nation to which they gave much of her early civilisation,—a nation, compared with themselves, young in years, beat back a foreign foe and advance to power and enlightenment. Another thing is that Japan has ranged herself with the Powers in regard to certain measures taken from time to time to repress and punish disorders that occur and recur from time to time in the Celestial Empire. China stands apart, and, though Japan is the most likely Power to succeed in any attempt to awaken China, it realises that, for many years to come, any increase in martial spirit must be likely to become a weapon against itself. But that Japan recognises she is ultimately bound to play a large part in the reforming, we might almost say the modernising, of China is self-evident. We may, therefore, with advantage, study the success with which they have met in this direction. An interesting pronouncement on this matter has recently been made by Baron Goto, who, for ten years, has been head of the Civil Department, really the Government of Formosa. Baron Goto is not at all sanguine that the Chinese in the island have become assimilated in the Japanese Empire and he puts it this way: "We will assume that Japan intends to give back the island to China, then fifty per cent. of the natives would protest against such a course. Why? Not to demonstrate their loyalty to the sovereignty of Japan, but because they think they can trade more securely and prosperously under our regime. They are animated mainly by motives purely of self-interest and protection." But this regime has been thrust on Formosa, whereas China alone can dictate whether the whole Japanese nation shall adopt similar forms of Government. And Baron Goto acknowledges that even the Japanese are at a loss to understand the inner workings of the Chinese mind. But this is evident, that, in the matter of reform, China is too anxious to run before she can walk, in other words to work out her salvation by her own devious methods. Outside help is bluntly refused and the "progressive Japanese is regarded as a "foreign devil" as much as the most typical New Yorker. Baron Goto has given very good reasons for his belief that the Chinese will not make good soldiers and one can only judge that he regards those who cry of a "Yellow Peril" with an amused but tolerant smile.

REFORMING TO EXCESS. It is perhaps our loss that we find little to interest us in the grave deliberations of the Calcutta Corporation. Periodically it springs into notoriety, but for the rest it is as mediocre a body as any advocate of Local Government could desire. For once it has made a bid for fame by passing a resolution permitting the "closuring" of debate when it exceeds reasonable bounds. There are occasions when a Corporator may reasonably be unable to say all that is necessary in ten or even fifteen minutes and, no doubt, due allowance will be made when extension is really desirable; but much experience of the local governing bodies tells us that the amount of work done by them is totally incommensurate with the amount in talking by which it is accomplished. That there are lurking evils in a closure rule must be admitted, but its evils can be greatly modified by the ruling of a just Chairman. But of Mr. J. L. Cohen, who wishes entirely to seal the Council Chamber, it is quite a different thing. As he found no one to support him in an absurd proposition, he has, presumably, a grievance against the press which he alone, of that body, nurses. What it may be, we do not know; perhaps, it is the old complaint that he is inadequately reported. If it be so, he has hardly gone the right way to secure redress. The official reporter who, he suggests, should reign supreme at the press table, is unlikely to issue a verbatim report and he would be unable to please everyone if he did not do so. But there is another side of the question. Does Mr. Cohen desire that the Calcutta Corporation should always work in camera? If so, then he has scarcely stated a fair case why he should retain his seat. The body has the spending of public money and its operations affect the well-being and comfort of all those who live in the area which it controls. Its primary purpose is to improve and regulate existing conditions and this can only be secured by the work of the best possible men. That public bodies of this nature always secure the most valuable men is doubtful, but publicity has the merit of eliminating those who are useless. If this be the underlying reason of Mr. Cohen's still-born motion, then he is obviously one of those who deserves the fullest publicity, and we congratulate the Calcutta Corporation on refusing to listen to his absurd suggestion.

NEW rules have been issued with regard to stamp duty in modification of the Indian Stamp Act of 1899.

THE P. and O. s.s. Rarisa left Colombo on July 1, and is expected to arrive in Bombay at 8 a.m. to-morrow.

THE P. and O. Company's s.s. Arabia with the outward Mails of the 22nd ultimo left Aden at 5 p.m. on Sunday, and is expected to arrive in Bombay at 6 a.m. on Friday next.

A LOOP LINE is being made with the Bezwada-Nandigama Railway, which is being constructed by the Southern Mahratta Railway for the Kistna District Board.

INTELLIGENCE has been received in Colombo that the Russian transport *Korea* met with an accident near Aden early last month, and the repairs necessitated a delay of five days. The troops who were on board were in a hurry to get home and mutinied. The vessel was eventually towed to Suez.

A youth who threw himself down the volcano at Asama left a letter, says the "Telegraph's" Tokio correspondent, in which he said: "Suffering a feeling of despair impels me to throw myself into the crater of vehement Asama, thus winning a splendid death, and ascending the mountain's smoke to a lofty life above the sky."

THE Ipswich Guardians intend to buy a piano at a cost of £13, for the workhouse inmates. A suggestion that a harmonium would be more appropriate was rejected, it being pointed out that the old people were very fond of comic songs, and had got tired of hymns, and comic songs could not very well be sung to harmonium accompaniments.

PRIVATE advices received in Colombo from London affirm that the state of the market there at present is unfavourable to the floating of Companies. It is said that the prices which the Syndicates and Planters in the East are asking for properties partially developed are so high as to preclude the prospects of successful floatation of Companies. In that case, planters should hesitate about demanding exorbitant prices for rubber lands: the tale of the monkey and the nuts is worth recollecting.

THE Secunderabad Division Orders publishes an amended scheme regarding the provision for the shelter of destitute widows and orphans of British soldiers has been drawn up. Children of school going age will be sent to an orphanage, a boarding school, of suitable denomination, which receives pure European children; or to one of the Lawrence Military Asylums. A capitation fee not exceeding Rs. 15 a month will be granted to each child admitted into an institution other than the Lawrence Military Asylums.

THE footing marriage of Lady Mary Hamilton to the son and heir of the Duke of Montrose—which will join two of the greatest ducal families in the kingdom—stablishes what must surely be a record in our family, inasmuch as three generations—grandmother, mother, and daughter—will have wedded present or prospective dukes. Lady Mary is, of course, a grand-daughter of the famous "double Duchess," her Grace of Devonshire, who is the mother, by her first marriage to the late Duke of Manchester, of Mary Duchess of Hamilton, widow of the late Duke and mother of the bride-elect, who will, in the ordinary course of events, be one day Duchess of Montrose.

THE Latest Official Report on the Administration of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands records the interesting fact of the discovery of the true mother-of-pearl shell off the coast of the Andamans, a "find" which, it is remarked, may prove of considerable commercial value. It appears that some good specimens were found by the Andamanese at the Labyrinth Island, the result of the discovery being that negotiations are in progress for the grant of a prospecting license to a syndicate. The Ledu shell (*Turbo elegans*) is also now collected by the Andamanese in large quantities for export to the European markets where it has some commercial value on account of its mother-of-pearl. Trial shipments have lately been sent to Colombo and Germany.

AS Mr. Haldane means to reduce the Field Artillery at Home there should be no difficulty experienced in re-arming the batteries in India with the new quick-firing guns. In fact shipments are being steadily made from Woolwich and rearmament is proceeding slowly but satisfactorily. The Cossipur Factory will also be able before long to turn out guns, and it will devote itself in the first instance to providing those required as a reserve. There will be no difficulty financially in meeting the bill from the English Ordnance Department as the money required for rearmament was earmarked in the Budget. Six months or so hence all the Horse and Field batteries in this country should have the quick-firing guns and equipment in their possession.

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GOLF FOR BUSY MEN.

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The rush and hurry of modern life necessitate appropriate pastimes, as preventives of nerve-exhaustion, or as healthy outlets for surplus physical and nervous energy. Taking our national pastimes and outdoor sports all round, perhaps golf is the game which claims the largest and most varied assortment of devotees at the present day. What our English ancestors did in their leisure hours before golf was invented is a conundrum I feel unable to solve, but their descendants must now be thankful that amongst other numerous benefits received from Bonnie Scotland since the Union, a knowledge of the game of golf is by no means the least. This inestimable blessing, so conferred, should even go far—I here write as a Scotchman—to soften and ameliorate in English minds the memories of Bannockburn.

A UNIVERSAL TONIC.

Golf clubs have sprung up all over England, Wales and even Ireland. New courses, both inland and seaside, are constantly being opened. Our lengthy, sand-strewn, grass-bordered coast line, or our inland chalky downs give large opportunities for the laying out of 18 hole golf courses (why always 18 holes?—by the bye, is another little problem I will not tackle), where young and old, idle and busy, athletic, obese and passive can all forgather in their leisure moments to play golf, enjoy fresh air and social intercourse, exercise their muscles and discipline their tempers. Also the prosaic feature of this modern craze of golf, many thousands of boys and men can gain a livelihood as caddies, learning much of certain varieties of the English unorthodox vernacular in the process as well as something of human nature and character, if they are moderately observant.

It is certain that golf is one of the most popular and widely practised outdoor games of modern times. This being so it is worth while to examine a little more closely into the reasons of its fascinations, which hold sway over so large a number of all sorts and conditions of our fellow countrymen and country women also. There must be some good sense in the inside army of golfers taken in the bulk. Benefits must accrue to them in their pursuit of the game. Some pleasure in spite of "foozled" tee-shots and missed putts must remain. Above all, the busy man, leading the strenuous existence of enduring the strain and stress of life's battle in populous town or city, must certainly find in golf some mental as well as physical antidote to the cares of life, or he would not be so largely represented in the membership of British golf clubs.

NO "MAN FOR WORKS."

First then, golf is a good game because its spirit is one of healthy strenuous rivalry. It is not so much a question of putting a little ball into 18 consecutive holes—a game which can be played in the centre (more or less) of specially known greens at varied distances apart, and many strokes, as of doing so in fewer strokes than one's chosen comrade (and opponent) of the day. Sometimes the opponent is imaginary and takes the form of Colonel "Bogey." Here the direct personal element is lacking, but still the rivalry is there.

A ride on a high-stepping cob, a morning's run or row, an Alpine ascent, a long bicycle ride, etc., would all involve more real hard exercise, and in some cases more athletic skill, than a game of golf, but in none of these pursuits or pastimes is there the same mental excitement as in a closely-contested golf-match. To the sceptic on this point we can only say, try it, and found out for yourself.

Jones may ride in the Park of a morning in order to shake up his equine and keep his nerves in order, nevertheless his business, like black care, may accompany him all the way. His busy brain may all the time be still thinking of the price of stocks, the terms of the contemplated contract, the details of the forthcoming big political meeting, the wisdom of some particular action or investment in some temptation, or whatever else may be his particular trouble or worry at the time. But Jones, the golfer, taking the line of the first putt on the 18th green, and playing "the line when the opponent stands" in any one of many hundreds of matches, has his mind hard on. Jones holds that light and leisure impossible.

The rivalry then, of the pleasant friendly "single," when the skill of hand and eye is pitted against that of one's social friend and antagonist in driving the little white ball round the golf course in something under 100 strokes—the rivalry, I say, is the essence and spirit of the game.

SKILL NOT ESSENTIAL FOR ENJOYMENT.

Another important factor that particularly appeals to busy men, possibly out of athletic form, is that the science of the handicap can always make a game of golf interesting between players of even greatly varied skill, age and condition. This can also be well accomplished in the variations of the game known as "foursome," "three-ball" or "four-ball" matches; and in a manner impossible in such games as cricket, racquets, or tennis, where the players take each other's strokes or play a ball set in motion by another. It is this inherent feature of the game that enables it to be so widely played. It is not restricted to the expert class. The hard worked individual with no time for constant practice can make a game with the amateur champion—if wood be—given a concession of telegraphic odds.

It takes two hours—two men and at least one whole day—unfortunately occupied—to play a cricket match. But two men in two hours can play a round of golf, busily engaged the whole time in the fortunes of their respective balls, the cares and worries for the time being completely forgotten, their whole minds and energies devoted unreservedly to the game. What a boon to fagged brain and hard-wrought nerves is this.

Here is a healthy outdoor occupation in which nothing is being hunted or shot; in which no living wild animal is necessarily being interfered with or injured as a part of the game; which is a game not of sheer strength or brute force, but of nerve and skill; which can be played by any ordinary man, woman or child with moderate success and pleasure without much previous training; yet withal a game that in its highest development, involves and requires an exquisite amount of skill and accuracy, coupled with the most perfect control, under all imaginable circumstances of nerve and temper.

A WIDE CHOICE OF GAMES.

We have alluded to the "threesome," the "foursome" and the "four-ball" matches. Choose your comrades wisely, pleasant, cheery, kindly mortals with some sense of humour, and knowledge of the world and its ways, and no better pastime, particularly for after-lunch purposes on a fine spring day, exists. No pleasanter forms of golf can be indulged in. In a foursome each couple play the same ball, one partner driving off from the tee on behalf of the combined and the match is the same duplicated between couples—each in respective partnership. The "threesome" can be three separate single matches by three players (each against each playing his own ball); for example, A, B, and C play a round together; A plays against B & B against C; and A against C. But this involves a slight extra strain on the memory, as each player has to keep two scores. Also the sense of comradeship is not complete. There are no partnerships. The better form, to my way of thinking, of the "three-ball" game is that A (for example) should play the best ball of B and C. Thus two inferior players can tackle a greatly superior performer with fairchance of success. The best ball of the partnership counts at every hole. Thus, if some intelligence is thrown into the performance, the hole were B foozles, is just the particular hole where C pulls out his finest shot, or holes his extra long putt. By thus working in alternate "gangs" the two partners can put up an exceedingly strong combined game, much better than either of them could ever hope to accomplish singly.

THE WILY PARTNER.

Talking of golf partnership and its ways one is reminded of the old story (no doubt a "chestnut" but worth repeating) of the indifferent amateur and the wily old "pro," in an historic "foursome" at St. Andrews, who were matched (for heavy stakes) against a similar couple. The game was the last hole over the links, and the game stood all square even and one to play." It was the turn of the aforesaid amateur to drive, and it was a moral certainty that he would top his ball into the burn.

The opposing amateur having the honour, had already achieved this disaster. As one theatre addressed himself—in obvious nervousness—to the ball, knowing well that the fate of the game practically hung on that particular stroke, to his partner, whispered his skilled and intelligent partner, "Man, miss the ball." The amateur was

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FIFTY YEARS AGO.

(From the *Bombay Gazette* of July 4, 1856.)

The shipment of cotton reported during the past month was 4,200.

Fine and [illegible] showers of rain fell on Wednesday morning.

The Sirdar Mr. Leggett has become a Mahomedan, and is now known as Abdul Rahman. It is reported that he will be allowed to retain his appointment of Sirdar. Mr. Maneckjee is appearing for the prosecution in the case in which Mr. Sohrabji Bengalee is charged with assaulting the Magistrate of Surat. Mr. Bengalee is defended by Mr. Mahomed Ali Rogay, Bar-at-Law, and Mr. Mahomed Ali Jairmon, Solicitor. Should Mr. Bengalee be found guilty of the charge, he will be liable to be disbarred from practising as a pleader in the Courts of Gujarat.

Lastly there is the "four-ball" match, in which four players, each playing his own ball, play against two-ball matches. Possibly it has been their fate to play behind, such a match, and watch the players or some of them, overstep the bounds of decency and decorum of the proprieties and etiquette of the game. Hence, in their anxious effort to avoid delay, talked all over the ball, hurried played each stroke on the putting green, and, where necessary, on the tee, and generally behaved in every hole and corner like fussy old women behind clumsy-waiting, when perhaps the weather was cold and a bitter east wind was blowing. These kind of men, by their behaviour, drive players behind them, should any of such be within ear-shot, to the verge of madness, and even to the utterance of strong language, and among men of their own holiness.

It was four same evening, newly made friends, where such can possibly be found in the [illegible] were [illegible] to play a four-ball match. One who was related to a notable cricketer was playing. [illegible] and the second [illegible] and [illegible] extraordinary things—*good shots on our part*. That is [illegible] sense of the term to be interpreted as [illegible] four and five.

[illegible] PARTNERSHIPS.

But to return to the question of four-ball matches among players of somewhat average skill and knowledge of the game to afford form of golf (in the humble opinion of the writer) easiest. If you can find a partner who is [illegible] and [illegible] and [illegible] and

THE SALISBURY TRAIN COLLISION.

Fortunate Escape of Several Notabilities.

HORRIBLE MUTILATION OF VICTIMS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, JULY 1.

Twenty-four were killed in the Salisbury accident, almost all being Anglo-Indians, and a dozen injured.

There were forty-two passengers on the train altogether. The engine left the rails when passing the points, and crashed into the guard's van of a milk train, killing the guard. It then dashed over the garden of a railway bridge. Three coaches were entirely smashed. The killed including the driver and stoker were horribly mangled.

Several prominent Americans were on board the train which is the "New York," but elected not to leave Plymouth and proceeded to Southampton thus escaping almost certain death.

CANNON'S MOVEMENT OF NATIVE AT DURBAN.

Business Disorganised.

THE FORERUNNER OF THE STORM.

Two thousand natives, employed at Durban have suddenly returned to their kraals upsetting business and shipping.

THE NAVAL MANŒUVRES.

Strenuous Engagements.

THE CHANNEL CAPTURED.

LONDON, JULY 2.

The attacking fleet in the Naval Manœuvres has captured Scarboro' and Hull and claims to have complete control of the Channel.

The defenders have captured the victorious Admiral Sir Jeremy Miller's flagship and sunk a score of Battleships after an exciting fight.

REDUCTIONS IN THE ARMY.

Worse than Contemplated.

THIRTY-SIX BATTERIES OF ARTILLERY DOOMED.

The *Telegraph* understands that it is contemplated to disband and thirty-six Batteries of Horse and Field Artillery and take a reduction of 3,000 in the Home Infantry Battalions and disband the third Battalions of the Scots and Coldstream Guards.

THE MANCHESTER SHIP CANAL.

Reopened for Traffic.

DAMAGED LOCK REPAIRED.

Considerable [illegible] Canal has been reopened to traffic.

AMERICAN MEAT BILL.

Passed with an Important Omission.

The United States has passed the Meat Bill minus the proviso requiring the date of inspection to be put on the tins but placing the cost of inspection on the Government. This is considered to be a notable victory for the packers.

THE GOVERNMENT AND THE DUMA.

"The Power of the Purse."

HELP FOR THE FAMINE DISTRICTS.

The Russian Government has asked the Duma to grant ten millions sterling to relieve 27 Governments suffering from a failure of the crops.

REVOLUTION FEARED IN SOUTH RUSSIA.

Aristocrats Flee.

A steamer has arrived at Kustenji from Odessa with an [illegible] of Russian aristocrats on board fearing an immediate revolution in the South.

HEAT WAVE IN NEW YORK.

Fourteen Deaths Already.

New York is suffering from a heat wave and fourteen deaths have already taken place and many are prostrate.

THE IN-COMING MAIL.

ADEN, JULY 1.

The P. and O. Company's s.s. Arabia, with the English mails of the 22nd ultimo, left here for Bombay, at 5 p.m. to-day.

GOLF IN CALCUTTA.

Valuable Cup Offered to Office Teams.

KEEN CONTEST EXPECTED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JULY 2.

A Golf Cup, valued at Rs. 500, has been offered for competition among the office teams in Calcutta. About twenty offices have entered and the struggle which commences early next week promises to be keen.

N. W. RAILWAY TELEGRAPH SIGNALLERS.

Threaten to Strike.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JULY 2.

A Mozaffarpur telegram dated to-day says telegraph signallers on the Bengal and North Western Railway have tendered resignations en masse with effect from which expires at 10 a.m. to-morrow. Railway authorities are confident of meeting the emergency successfully and do not anticipate any serious dislocation of normal working arrangements.

ISOLATED SIMLA.

Heavy Rain Continues.

WORK OF REPAIR INTERFERED WITH.

TONGA SERVICE ARRANGED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JULY 2.

The following Press Note issued by the Railway Board:

The Kalka Simla railway is open between Kalka and Barogh and Kathlighat and Simla. Between Barogh and Kathlighat the line is blocked. First and second class passengers are recommended to go by train between Kalka and Kumarhatti and between Kumarhatti and Simla by tonga for which the Post Office has kindly arranged, but the number of tongas is limited. It is hoped that in a couple of days the line between Barogh and Solon will also be open when all passengers should go between Kalka and Solon by train.

An ekka service is being arranged between Barogh and Kathlighat for 3rd class passengers. Goods will be conveyed by train between Kalka and Kumarhatti, thence by cart to Kathlighat and on again by train, provided the weather holds up and no more slips occurs. Blocks on the line will be localised within the next 10 days to between Solon and Solon Brewery and the length of transhipment reduced to about three miles.

LATER.

Heavy rain recommenced at Simla and it looks like continuing, while reports from Solon say that rain is falling very heavily there. This will not only interfere with the repairs to the railway, but will increase the troubles of passengers who are attempting to cross the broken section of the line. The following Press Communique has been issued by the Railway Board:—

On stations on the Kalka-Simla Railway serious damage has been done to the Kalka-Simla Railway by the heavy and almost continuous rainfall. More or less all along the Kalka-Simla Railway and with excessive violence near Solon between the 22rd and 29th. inst. The line from Kalka to Solon and from Solon Brewery to Simla can be repaired without any great difficulty, and trains will probably resume running throughout these sections on July 10th. Arrangements have been made for rickshaws, ekkas, etc., for passengers and for carts for goods to facilitate transhipment. But some time must elapse before these can be obtained in any number.

The line between Solon and Salon Brewery has been seriously damaged, and will take sometime to restore in consequence of the extreme violence of the rain. The hill sides on which the line is carried have been very severely disturbed and further movement is not improbable. It is therefore difficult to forecast with any certainty when through communications by rail will be restored.

SUPREME LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No Meeting likely till August.

FAMINE REMISSIONS TO BE PASSED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JULY 2.

No meeting of the Legislative Council at Simla appears likely to be held before August when it will probably be necessary to pass an Act of Council to give effect to the remissions of taxation given this year and last. In order to effect this it will in all probability be considered preferable in place of a series of petty local enactments to pass a single omnibus Act to cover all the cases.

The remissions have, of course, in the mean time, been given effect to by executive order. These remissions related to the famine cesses in Northern India and the Central Provinces, the Patware cesses in the same areas and Madras, and the Zemindary dak cess in the Punjab and the [illegible] Weather Insurance.

In addition to these will probably be introduced an Act to amend the Presidency Banks Act. But this never has been introduced and circulated for opinions and hardly be proceeded with till the Council meets in Calcutta.

SUDDEN DEATH OF COLONEL QUENTON.

A Brilliant Linguist.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

COONOOR, JULY 1.

Lieutenant-Colonel W. Quenton, late in command of the 104th Wellesley's Rifles, at present stationed at Santa Cruz, died at Fernhill this morning at the premature age of 48 years, from liver complaint. The deceased officer arrived in Coonoor about nine months ago from Bombay, with the intention of settling down on the Nilgiri Hills. He was a distinguished soldier, who made a name for himself during his military career. He took part in the Ogaden Expedition and in the South African War. For the Ogaden Expedition in 1898 he was presented with a medal and clasp and a brilliant star of Zanzibar 3rd class. He was a linguist of a high order and knew the Russian, Arabic and Urdu languages. In these languages he had published many military works. The funeral took place this afternoon. The 2nd Battalion, Cheshire Regiment, supplied the firing party. The remains of the deceased officer were interred at the All Saints' Cemetery. Among those present at the funeral were Colonels Beville Wright and Dobbs besides the officers of the Royal Indian Marine and the Cheshires. The deceased officer, who was very popular, leaves behind him a widow and a daughter, who are in England.

A TREASURY BAG MISSING AT HYDERABAD.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, JULY 2.

It is reported that a bag containing two thousand rupees is missing, from the Huzur Treasury Office, Hyderabad, (Sind). The Collector is instituting thorough inquiries into the matter.

SIND RAILWAY UNABLE TO MEET TRADE DEMAND.

Shortage of Wagons.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, JULY 2.

The anxiety regarding railing of wheat from upcountry has not yet been relieved as the railway authorities failed to bring the promised 180,000 tons into Karachi during June and exporters were not able to complete their June shipments comfortably. It is believed July will even see a greater squeeze than June. It is rumoured that it is not only the scarcity of wagons, but also want of engine power that is responsible for the shortage of wheat arrivals from the Punjab.

THE GOVERNOR PAYS A RETURN VISIT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, JULY 2.

H. E. Lord Lamington paid a return visit to the Nawab of Janjira, this morning, at his residence in the Civil Lines.

LORD LAMINGTON'S VISIT TO PANDARPUR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, JULY 2.

His Excellency, accompanied by the Hon'ble Mr. Muir Mackenzie, will leave this morning at two by the Raichur mail to visit the cholera camp in connection with the Pandarpur fair.

BANNERJEE'S APPEAL AT THE HIGH COURT.

Interesting Remarks From the Bench.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JULY 2.

At the High Court to-day Mr. Surendranath Banerjee's appeal against the decision of the Sessions Judge of Barrisal affirming the decision of Mr. Emerson, the District Magistrate, came on for hearing. There were some fine passages-at-arms between the counsel and Mr. Justice Mitter.

Mr. White, Deputy Legal Remembrancer referring to the judgment of the lower court said the Sessions Judge had come to the conclusion that no illegality was committed, but there was irregularity.

Mr. Justice Mitter:—What is the distinction between illegality and irregularity?

Mr. White.—Where the direction was complied with in substance, that amounts to an irregularity but where there is distinct disregard of the direction of law it is an illegality.

Mr. Justice Mitter: Is there any case in the books in which an accused person not defended by counsel or given an opportunity to defend himself has been committed for contempt of court merely for disturbing the court while writing its judgment?

Mr. White.—There is one in I. L. R. 2, Privy Council 108, Poland's case from Hongkong.

Mr. Justice Mitter.—He was not the accused person but a counsel. Is there any case of an accused person who has not been offered an opportunity of defending himself and fined for contempt of court merely because he said something?

Mr. White.—I do not know of any such case.

Mr. Justice Mitter in course of argument which followed desired to know the exact words of interruption which Mr. Banerjee used.

Mr. White said that was sufficiently explained in the Judge's order. While the Judge was writing his order Mr. Banerjee frequently interrupted him. He was directed to keep silence, but disobeyed the order.

Mr. Justice Mitter: He talked in the same way as counsel talk here. In his explanation the Magistrate said he could not exactly remember the subject matter of the interruption.

Mr. White.—I can only go on with the order as it is.

Mr. Justice Holmwood: I think he was delivering his judgment.

Some heated argument followed between Mr. Justice Mitter and Mr. White as to why the Magistrate did not in his order mention the exact words which Mr. Banerjee had used in interrupting him.

Mr. Justice Mitter said that the irregularity was so great that it amounted to an illegality.

Mr. White.—When the provision of the law is complied with in substance so as not to cause a miscarriage of justice, it is a irregularity, but if it is totally ignored it is an illegality. Looking into the Magistrate's order there has not been any great miscarriage of justice.

Mr. Justice Mitter thought that when the Magistrate was writing his judgment Banerjee might have been asked to sit outside the room.

Mr. White: He was brought as a prisoner and was asked to stand.

Mr. Justice Mitter.—You are bringing in matters with which we are not at all concerned.

Mr. White:—I only wish to deal with the order and nothing more. If your lordship so desire I can read the affidavits and explanation.

Mr. Justice Mitter:—Words not desire you to do anything.

Mr. White:—Then I have the pleasure of sitting down.

Mr. Justice Mitter.—You have the option to read any order of address or any argument.

Addressing Mr. Jackson, counsel for Banerjee, Mr. Justice Mitter said the Court did not wish to hear him, but would deliver its written judgment.

Mr. Jackson wished to draw the Court's attention to the fact that Banerjee in referring to the chair on which he wished to sit used the word *ratham* (cane chair) which in the Government brief was converted to *rotten*.

Mr. White:—Whether *ratham* or *rotten* the petitioner was very much fatigued and wanted a chair.

Mr. Justice Mitter—Most likely. If that was so it was sufficient cause for taking his seat.

PRINTERS ON STRIKE.

Use the Bengali Battle Cry.

IMMEDIATE SETTLEMENT EXPECTED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JULY 2.

There was a partial strike at the Edinburgh Press, Calcutta, on Saturday, owing to which the *Indian Planters' Gazette* was issued late. About four hundred and thirty printers, compositors, pressmen, etc., did no work and were clamouring for redress for their complaints and shouting "Bande Mataram."

Correspondence has passed between the Edinburgh Press and the Printers' Union and a settlement is expected to-day.

LADY MINTO'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Three Charitable Acts.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JULY 2.

On Friday, July 6th, Her Excellency the Countess of Minto will open a bazaar at noon, at the Town Hall, in aid of the Young Women's Christian Association and on Tuesday the 10th, Her Excellency will visit the Auckland House School and the Mayo Orphanage.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPT. FOR MADRAS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, JULY 2.

The Secretary of State has now sanctioned the formation of a Criminal Investigation Department in Madras and it will consist of a Deputy Inspector-General with a Superintendent of Police as Personal Assistant, and a staff of Inspectors, Sub-Inspectors as detective officers. Presumably Mr. F. Fawcett will be appointed the first head of the new Department which should do much good in dealing with organised crime in Southern India.

NEW JUDGE OF THE HIGH COURT.

MR. S. J. HEATON, Additional Judicial Commissioner of Sind, has been appointed to act as a Judge of the Bombay High Court during the absence on furlough of Mr. Justice Batty. Joining the service in September 1881, Mr. Heaton arrived in this country in December following, and was placed under the Collector of Belgaum to learn the routine of official business. He worked as Assistant Collector and Magistrate in Sind, Ahmedabad, Thana, and Assistant Judge and Sessions Judge in Ahmedabad, and was in October 1887 brought to the Bombay Secretariat as Under-Secretary in the Judicial, Political and Educational Departments, and Secretary to the Bombay Legislative Council. On return from furlough to Europe, he worked diligently at Ahmedabad from November 1891 to February 1893, as Judge and Sessions Judge until he was sent in the latter month on special duty to Baroda, where he remained till December of that year. He was also sent on special duty in the Junagad and Rampur States and in Dhrangadra in the early part of 1894. Mr. Heaton worked zealously from May to August 1894, as Officiating Private Secretary to the Governor of Bombay, (Lord Harris), and was confirmed in the office in July 1895, and continued to discharge the duties of the office till July 1898. For a month from September to October 1898 Mr. Heaton was placed on special duty under the Governor of Bombay (Lord Sandhurst.) On return from leave in November 1899, he worked as Judge and Sessions Judge of Nasik until he was recently appointed Additional Judicial Commissioner in Sind. Mr. Heaton has long enjoyed the reputation of being one of the ablest Judicial Officers under the Bombay Government.

DEATH OF SIR WILFRID LAWSON.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, JULY 1.

The death is announced of Sir Wilfrid Lawson.

After a strenuous political career of over half a century, in and out of the House of Commons, Sir Wilfrid Lawson has passed away at the ripe age of nearly seventy-seven. A man with a cause, which he advocated in and out of season with the most uncompromising vigour, in the face of the knowledge that only a naturally bigoted section of the public dare venture to fight under his banner, Sir Wilfrid's very earnestness commanded respect, no matter how entirely one might disagree with his views. Sir Wilfrid stood for an old-fashioned democracy of his own invention. For the best part of forty-five years he never tired of hammering into his political colleagues in the House of Commons his delectable dreams of an English social millennium, where there should be no peers, no soldiers or sailors, no State prelates, no hangmen, women sitting in Parliament, and nothing stronger than ginger-beer for the thirsty. Many Governments have come and gone since the day when Sir Wilfrid entered upon his purifying crusade, but happily none of his dreams have been realised, and the world still jogs along unconcerned.

Sir Wilfrid, whose long white beard and grave countenance had for so many years been amongst the most familiar features in the Mother of Parliaments, was the eighth of his name to appear in the book of titles. The Lawsons were a distinguished family so far back as the reign of Henry III. The Wilfrid Lawson who married the heiress of Thomas Leigh, of Isell, Cumberland, had that seat with the lady as her dowry. He was knighted, and his grandson became the first baronet of the line. Of the ten baronets seven were named plain Wilfrid Lawson, as were the Late holder of the title and his heir. The baronetcy expired a century ago, but the estate passed to the nephew of the tenth baronet's wife. The present baronetcy was created seventy-five years ago, two years after the present holder's birth. It is said that when the last baronet espoused total abstinence he emptied the ancestral wine-bins into the lake in the ancestral domain. A few years ago Sir Wilfrid resigned a trusteeship which he found involved his being joint holder of shares in a brewery. The deceased baronet was born on Sept. 4, 1829, and succeeded to the title and estates on the death of his father in 1867. At the general election of 1859 he stood, in conjunction with his uncle the late Sir James Graham, as a candidate for the representation of Carlisle, and succeeded by a narrow majority over his opponent, Mr. Hodgson.

At the next General Election, in 1865, Sir Wilfrid was defeated; but in 1868 Carlisle once more elected him, and he sat continuously for that city until the dissolution of 1885. Then Sir Wilfrid girded up his loins for a fight in the newly-created Cockermouth Division of Cumberland, and was defeated, spite of his Home Rule proclivities, by the Irish vote. In 1886, however, the Irish vote, which is large in the Cockermouth Division, swung round with such force that it swung Sir Wilfrid once more into the halls of Westminster, very much to the delight of men of all parties. If you leave the large railway station at Carlisle and walk into the city, the first object which will meet your eye is a drinking-fountain. It is the one gift which Sir Wilfrid made to the city during the time he represented it in Parliament. His ideas respecting the relations subsisting between Members and their constituents were so rigid that he refused even the veriest trifle to churches, chapels, hospitals, clubs, societies, and all those other local institutions which regard the local Member as a good subject for [illegible] expenments. Cold water and incorruptibility were the only gifts offered by the distinguished baronet to citizens of "Morde Carlisle." Let us hope they were both duly appreciated even in a cathedral city.

In 1864 Sir Wilfrid Lawson brought under the notice of Parliament an innocent-looking little document, which soon obtained wide fame as the "Permissive Bill." Its object was to "permit" owners and occupiers to prohibit within the particular local area in which they lived the common sale of intoxicating drink. The Bill soon became a hardy annual, which thousand regularly every year inside the House of Commons, but never ripened into fruit. Its author was abused, ridiculed, and argued down, but he always came on smiling, and he had nothing but a large organisation—the United Kingdom Alliance—with [illegible] funds and a big band of workers who worked it night and day. The Bill won the support of Cobden and the keen antagonism of Mill, who denounced it as an unwarrantable interference with personal liberty, and as quite unlikely to effect its ostensible object—the eradication of drunkenness.

Spite of the enthusiasm and the large funds of the United Kingdom Alliance, the movement "got no forrarder," as the unregenerate farmer observed after consuming several glasses of Lord Rosebery's claret. Sir Wilfrid was adjured by his Liberal friends to go in for something which "sensible," "moderate" men could support. The real object was to give the impression that the Liberal Party was friendly to temperance, while yet they should be committed to nothing in particular. Accordingly, the "Permissive Bill" disappeared, and the "Local Option Resolution" took its place. This the main body of the Liberal Party accepted, and Sir William Harcourt, through its agency "found salvation," while Mr. Gladstone "saw a great light." The resolution was three times carried in the Parliament of 1880; but it is needless to say that nothing was done to give effect to it. The resolution was like the razors that were made, not to cut, but to sell. It enabled what Ibsen calls "the compact Liberal majority" to affirm a great moral principle, which is all that that majority probably ever intended to do.

But Sir Wilfrid, needless to say, was the consistent supporter of Home Rule when the Liberals were locking up Mr. Parnell and Mr. Davitt. He would scuttle every ship in the British Navy if he had his way; he would melt down Maxim guns and disband the British Army. He would instantly offer Gibraltar to Spain and Malta to Italy; he would reinstate Arabi at Cairo, and would invite Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji to become president of a federated Indian Republic. He would call forth Mrs. Jacob Bright and Mrs. Ashton Dilke into the full blaze of a Parliamentary career. Sir Wilfrid, in short, was a sincere, consistent, genuine, if Utopian Radical, who voiced as he thought, and what could not be bought by the party leaders.

Sir Wilfrid signally failed as a statesman. One cause of Sir Wilfrid Lawson's failure (using the term solely in its relation to office) was in the multitude of his hates. Sir Wilfrid was a good all-round hater and he was consistent in his antipathies. He hated war, oppression, shams, the Grand Turk and the Grand Lama, monarchies, palaces, luxury, Toryism, street organs, tobacco, and the Church of England. But the excellence of his character in regard to these things was the perfect, the inflexible honesty of his devotion to the ideas which they embodied and expressed. On one memorable occasion in the House he drew a vivid picture of men who had fallen from their high estate of independence. One of those to whom he specially alluded was Mr. W. S. Caine, who had, he said in effect, cut the tongues out of all the principles of his life, and had prostrated himself before the Baal of Government patronage.

In his day Sir Wilfrid was the funny man of the House. The picture drawn by the late Richard Power of the "hon. bart. smiling in wax at Madame Tussauds" illustrated, perhaps, as nearly as a sentence possibly could ever illustrate, the abounding good nature of the man. During the last few years Sir Wilfrid had aged considerably; but, though growing alarmingly like "General" Booth in face, he could still be delightfully genial, and his fugitive doggerel was as merry and gay as ever.

He seemed, however, to grow rather ashamed of his own renown. But of the old alliterative epithets he fought shy "Beer and the Bible," "Bung and the Bishops," as affinities of opprobrium had served their purpose. His visage grew as grim as Ballykillieg's, while his flouts were not half so spontaneous. The chordize in his voice which heralded the coming joke became a mere laryngeal freak. In short, the country, in common with the House, faced the inevitable conclusion that the star of Sir Wilfrid Lawson's wit was of late at the nadir of its depression." The veteran of humour dwelt add moved to the echoing laughter of his own memory. He became a grave old gentleman. No one would suspect him of harbouring a single merry thought. No man could see in the hon. baronet an intellectual comedian, along whose track of five-and-forty years danced the laughing sprites of a fe-mid humour. Sir Wilfrid became serious. The sadness of his eye was no subtle speculation, His own joke might have come home to roost, finding a cairn upon his shoulders, which were bent beneath the brooding load. No one went about the [illegible] gaining a transitory fame by the accident of being first-hand "Lawson's latest." When a British Ministry was cajoled into admitting "Local Option" into the domain of practical politics, Sir Wilfrid Lawson felt that his work was as good as done. The Permissive Bill was never intended to pass by its inventor; the Veto Bill was not intended to pass by its authors. But its principle took life in a Bill and Sir Wilfrid Lawson felt that the Bill like the Phœnix would find vitality in its own periodical holocaust. That was a great triumph for the party, which for years had had their crusade laughed at and had heard themselves sneered at as fanatics.

In person Sir Wilfrid Lawson was tall and thin and his health was not always of the best. Next to his long, wavy beard, his most marked feature was his eye, the merry twinkle of which was the outward sign of his humorous nature. He was well up in Joe Miller, Sydney Smith, Douglas Jerrold, and other funny men; and he is supposed to have kept extensive clippings from American comic papers. He could also quote the "Biglow Papers" with great effect; and he was fairly well acquainted with modern English and American poetry. He was a capital companion; and, though he stuck to water himself, it is still whispered that there is some fine old wine in the cellars of Brayton Hall, his place in Cumberland.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

DEATH OF MANUEL GARCIA.

LONDON, JULY 2.

The death is announced of Professor Manuel Garcia, the inventor of the laryngoscope, aged 101 years.

Manuel Garcia was chiefly remarkable for his longevity, the celebration of his hundredth birthday having been made much of in the musical world. When, however, he reached his hundred and first year on March 17th inst. his Majesty King Edward graciously received him, and made him an honorary Companion of the Victorian Order. At the same time Manuel Garcia was a man of much genius, and in the course of his long experience as a teacher of music he invented the laryngoscope, an instrument having great effect in the cure of troublesome throats and the development of the human voice. Manuel Garcia had a romantic career. Born in Madrid on March 17, 1805, the son of a music teacher, he made London his Mecca, and, varied by travels in various parts of the world, he remained in England for the rest of his life. His father came with him, also his sister, the famous Madame Malibran, whom he accompanied on her successful tours in America, where they were the famous Jennie Lind, the Swedish Nightingale and Madame Antoinette Sterling. In the course of his career Manuel Garcia was rewarded with decorations by various monarchs in addition to the C. V. O. from King Edward.

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THE MADRAS "ECHO" LOTTERIES.

Accused Convicted.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, JULY 2.

In the Egmore Police Court, to-day Mr. F. D. Birch acting Presidency Magistrate, delivered judgment in the case in which J. W. Wilson was charged with the offences of keeping a place for holding a lottery and publishing proposals for the same.

His Worship observed the evidence showed that during the course of last year the accused held annually lotteries at the office of the *Echo* and was warned in 1905 that [illegible] Sir Lockwood's Cup-sweep. His Worship found the accused did hold the lottery. After that in December last, the Viceroy's Cup-sweep was held by him in the same way. After this the accused advertised in the usual way his Derby sweep for 1906. The procedure appeared to have been: he had a number of agents all over India. Prize books were issued by the accused. In one competition he had fifty-five agents in different parts of India and Burma who received prizes. Receipts for the *Echo* were issued in book form. In the same way as the usual lottery tickets. In the receipts, in very small type, words denoting subscription for the *Echo* were printed, but the notice for the Derby appeared in large type. There could not be the smallest doubt, although the accused's agents would not admit it, that the privilege of free competition as it was called in these sweeps was the principal inducement to subscribe for the *Echo*.

With regard to the *Echo* Derby sweep for 1906 the accused had printed and published that prizes ranging from Rs. 1,500 to Rs. 9,000 would be given away to subscribers as usual, a fact which left the subscribers under the impression that prize-winners would be determined in the usual manner, namely by drawing from barrels. Subsequently, owing to a warning the accused received from the police, he found it necessary to alter the old arrangement and to introduce a guessing competition as he called it. This competition was of a very peculiar nature inasmuch as subscribers did not even know whether any guessing was done at all, the whole guessing being done by the accused or his sporting editor on behalf of the subscribers. Neither witnesses nor the sporting editor are able or willing to explain how in a particular case the same guess had been entered against names of a number of subscribers. It is very clear no separate guess was made for each separate subscriber.

After the race had been run the accused entered in his own handwriting the actual results of his decision as to who won in the competitions. The guesses were so wild; indeed, that to use the word skill in connection of them is entirely out of place. The placing of horses is most extraordinary. The sporting editor in a very sporting way undertook to place the horses one month before the race was run out. Of the whole 22 horses only seven names appeared in the books. The names of [illegible] which won the Derby did not appear at all. The lottery was a thing decided absolutely by chance. There is nothing in which chance entered more largely than in this scheme of the accused. It appeared from the book that the second prize should have gone to somebody else than one two whom it was awarded. This the accused is not been able to explain. Practically it appeared that the accused had taken it into his own hands to distribute the prizes to any people he chose. In these circumstances his Worship found the accused guilty on both the counts of the prosecution on the ground the accused made a considerable amount of money by these sweeps. The prosecution pressed he should be sent to prison. His Worship remarked with regard to the last two sweeps he could not overlook the fact that they were with the knowledge of the police. The real punishment in this case must be in the hands of the public. His Worship sentenced the accused to pay a fine of Rs. 500 on the first count or in default two months imprisonment.

RE-GRADING MADRAS POLICE OFFICERS.

Sanctioned by the Government of India.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, JULY 2.

The Government of India have approved the proposals of the Madras Government for re-grading superior appointments in the Madras Police. The proposals follow the lines of the Police Commission report with a few alterations which are now before the Inspector-General of Police who has been asked to report by the Madras Government.

THE FAR EAST.

China's Progress in Naval Matters.

AN INCIPIENT INSURRECTION QUELLED.

THE HUNAN FLOODS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SHANGHAI, JUNE 8.

The launch of the Chinese gunboat Chu-Tai, the first of six sister-ships contracted for the Imperial Chinese Government, took place at the Kawasaki Dockyard on the morning of the 29th of May. It had originally been intended that she should be launched the previous day, but the wet weather of the preceding day somewhat retarded arrangements and a postponement of twenty-four hours was found necessary. The delay was amply compensated for by the ideal conditions under which the launch was effected. Long before nine o'clock a large crowd of Japanese, Chinese and Europeans assembled round the new vessel. Possession was taken of every point of vantage by the spectators, the staging surrounding the sister-ships now under construction being lined with expectant faces. In the bright sunshine the Chu-Tai looked at her best, resplendent in a new coat of grey and red paint. Her bulwarks were smothered in evergreen. Flags and pennants of all hues streamed from her bow, stern, and mast. The absence of any armament, at present, in no way detracted from her warlike appearance, for a particularly rapacious-looking dragon in gold relief decorated both sides of the stern.

The Chu-Tai is a gunboat of 740 tons' displacement. Her length over all is 200 feet, and her moulded breadth is 29 feet while she draws 9ft. Her speed is to be 18 knots, and her armament will be composed of two 12 c.m. quick-firing guns (about 5 inches), two 12 pounder quick-firers, and four Maxims.—"Kobe Herald."

Mr. Wong Sewin, the interpreter to the Chinese Consulate, speaking at a luncheon following the launch, said:—The enterprising Kawasaki Dockyard has successfully built and launched the new gunboat Chu-Tai, to our joint satisfaction. The gunboat Kiang Yuan, which was also built at this Dockyard, was so skillfully constructed that she drew a large crowd of visitors, both officials and private persons, on her arrival in China, and was very much admired. I am confident that the gunboat which has been launched to-day will be completed as excellently as her sister vessel. My Government recognises that shipping always plays a large part in the development of civilisation, and it intends to maintain a respectable fleet for the protection of its marine trade. Thanks to the assistance of the friendly Powers, particularly the Japanese Empire, China is making good progress in naval matters, and the whole nation is confident that the construction of more ships for the Imperial Navy will foster the prosperity and happiness of the Empire. Mr. Wong Sewin concluded by leading "banzai" for the Imperial Japanese Navy, the Navies of the friendly Powers, the Kawasaki Dockyard, and the guests.

THE CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

Judging from the published reports in the daily Press things are moving rapidly in respect of the preparations for commencing work on this line. The representative Chinese feel that they are more or less standing on their honour. The most hostile opposed the officials so determinedly and secured the concession prayed for from the Throne only after repeated appeals, to be allowed to control the line without mandarin interference, that they are, so to speak, on their mettle and feel that no stone must be left unturned to put the thing through at once. Of course in important matters things seldom run smoothly with the Chinese, for there is the innate jealousy, which each feels for the other, to contend with, and in addition to this there is the almost unconquerable desire to seek some personal gain where so much money is to be handled, and these two forces make it difficult to arrange matters to everybody's tolerable satisfaction. Hence, therefore, even after they wrung from Peking the concession they sought, they have numberless divisions as to who should be the directors of the line. It appears that determined efforts are now being made to induce Tang Shao-yi to undertake the duties. He has once declined the high honour, but has been again approached. If he accepts there will be an end of the matter. It is reported here that the Chinese in Australia are also very vigorous in pushing forward [illegible] scheme, and several [illegible] have been appointed to [illegible] arrange the sale of shares and to accept the moneys paid. It seems from all that one can hear and read in the native papers that there should be little difficulty in assuming that the work will soon be put on the stocks and then pushed vigorously forward.

AN INCIPIENT INSURRECTION.

Yu Man-tsze, it will be remembered, caused considerable trouble to the officials of Szechuan province in the middle of the nineties by starting an anti-Christian propaganda culminating his acts by holding to ransom a French Roman Catholic priest, whom he had captured. The Provincial Government at first lukewarm was by this last act of Yu Man-tse (who by the way was the forerunner of Boxerism) compelled to begin operations against him and his gangs in earnest. As in every case where earnestness and promptitude are shown by the officials, it has never been difficult for them to put down all their domestic troubles, so no sooner had operations begun than Yu Man-tse and his rebellion were quickly suppressed and his band dispersed, while their French captive was also released from bondage. In 1900, during the Boxer uprising in the North, the partisans of Yu Man-tse tried to cause trouble in Szechuan also, but the promptitude and diligence of provincial authorities prevented any serious outbreak there. Since then Yu's followers have remained comparatively quiet. A dispatch from Chungking now, however, reports that these people tried recently to start an insurrection in Tunghsien, the home of Yu Man-tse, forming an alliance with the desperadoes and rowdies of the cities and towns lying close by. Tunghsien; the legend on their banner being an exhortation to annihilate foreigners and crush the Christians. Fortunately due warning was received by the officials and the district magistrate of Paluisien, acting under instructions of the Taotai of Chungking, managed to arrest a nephew of Yu Man-tse in that city, who had come there to stir up insurrection and enlist recruits. A list of the leaders of the movement was found on the person of the prisoner and many have been since arrested by the authorities. The promptness shown caused the attempted insurrection to collapse at once and now the partisans of Yu Man-tse are reported to be flying for their lives into the hills.

THE HUNAN FLOODS AND RELIEF.

It has been stated that the rice crop in the lower Siang Valley was destroyed by the floods. This was perfectly true. But now comes the reassuring news that in some of the devastated districts at least the people, i.e., those of them who somehow managed to escape, have been able to buy the young rice plants from the higher and therefore more fortunate districts, and so have been able to replant their rice fields. This is good news, and does away with the fears for famine later on in the year. Some authorities already predict crop of about 80 per cent., which if borne out for all the flooded districts will go far to put the populace on their feet again. But from the above good news let it not be imagined that there is no need for help at the present moment. There is a most urgent need of rice for the people to eat. There is more need of rice than of money. The magistrate at Siangtan when interviewed by a missionary, asking about the prospects of buying rice, said that it could only be bought in small quantities, and that, if supplies did not come in from other places within a month's time, he did not know what would be the result. The country districts whose there is rice in store, not destroyed by the waters, refuse to let it be taken away for sale for fear of shortage themselves. From Changsha the same cry comes, the need of *rice*. There is rice there, of course, but its price has so gone up that it is almost impossible for the man to buy. The public granaries have, it is true, been opened, but as the people say, that rice cannot be eaten to any extent. This without its products, for rice that has possibly been stored for years, may be unfit for human consumption, and if eaten, often produces sickness. It has been suggested that rice should be imported and sold at a cheap rate, relief funds bearing the loss. Whether this plan is feasible has not yet been settled. As regards relief as far as can be gathered the provincial authorities have granted Taels 100,000, the Imperial authorities Taels 20,000, and the Chinese guilds at Hankow Taels 55,000. These latter have sent their contribution mostly in ten-cash pieces for distribution. It is to be hoped that this addition to the currency there will not cause a further depreciation in that already greatly-depreciated coin.

A NOVEL IN A NUTSHELL.

Jeanne d'Arc.

IN 1429, in the good old days, as the story books have it, when the Dauphin held his Court at Chinon, when Orleans and Paris lay in the hands of the English, came one Lahire to the little village of Domremy. Merlin prophesied that "a woman shall lose France and a maid shall save France," and it was beneath the fairy tree at the village, on the banks of the Meuse that the warrior found the maid who was to become one of the most picturesque figures in history.

As a scoffer he came, for that was the first time he met Joan, and the soldier in him was little prepared to accept the girl's belief in the voices which sang in her ears that she was to be the saviour of France, to wipe out the English occupation and to redress Burgundy from his arrogant position. Yet somehow her voices had told her, this and more, and her faith prevailed over the doubts of the soldier so that, just as she gave up the ties of home, he consented to lead her to the King she wished to serve.

But to lead her to Chinon was one thing, to inspire like confidence in His Sacred Majesty, King Charles the Seventh, quite another. Years before, little Joan could remember, came one Lord Gilles de Laval to Domremy, a lord of passage, and when he left he carried with him a serving maid. Now Gilles was a follower of the Black Mass and dark stories were told of his chatean. But some years later, in fact just before Lahire and the Maid met, one Chatlemine of Laval saw the Maid when on her way to Chinon. But it was many years before Joan learned that she had met her sister. Away from Domremy rode Lahire and the Maid until they came to Chinon. France was troublous in those times and

NEWS LATER THAN THE MAIL.

THE CHICAGO SCANDAL.

SICKNESS IN A WORKHOUSE.

London, June 16th.—The Guardians of the Holborn Workhouse were recently informed by their medical officer that 35 cases of sickness had occurred in the Workhouse as the result of the inmates eating Argentine frozen meat, and that six of the cases had proved fatal.

A committee of inquiry has since found that the meat in question when delivered at the Workhouse was good, and that it afterwards went bad owing to faulty appliances and improper means of storage.

GERMANY'S FOREKNOWLEDGE.

The Prussian Minister of Agriculture states that Germany has been aware for a long time of the Chicago horrors which have only lately found their way into the newspapers.

He adds that, while Germany refrained from denouncing the American meat packers, she protected her own people.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT DISSATISFIED.

President Roosevelt objects to the amendments which have been made to the Meat Inspection Bill by the Committee of the House of Representatives, because they do not provide for the inspection of meat at all hours of the day and night, and because they empower the Courts to review the inspector's decisions.

Mr. Roosevelt declares that he is determined to secure adequate legislation, even if an extra session of Congress is necessary.

ARMY FOOD SAFE.

SIR E. TREVES SAYS THE RISK IS "PRACTICALLY NIL."

The 500 or who, as was announced by Mr. Haldane is to be sent by the War Office to America in reference to the tinned meat supplies for the Army is Lieutenant-Colonel F. E. F. Hobbs, C.M.G., Army Service Corps, Assistant-Director of Supplies and Transport in the London District.

Sir Frederick Treves, interviewed at his private residence in Wimpole-street remarked that he was not disposed to make any definite statement on the subject of the tinned meat scandals. He wished, however, most emphatically to state, with reference to certain assertions which have been published to the contrary, that the tinned meat supplied to the British Army by our military authorities is of the highest quality.

"No man in the British Army should suffer from any tinned meat he has consumed," said Sir Frederick. "I am speaking in this matter from purely personal experience.

"I cannot say how much of the tinned meat consumed by the Army is derived from America, but it is really of very little consequence. Whatever is taken in the Army into the city are analysed and tested by the authorities that the possibility of poisonous or deleterious materials being produced for consumption is practically nil.

"Soldiers individually do not seem to take much interest in the tinned meat exposures in the United States, judging from inquiries yesterday.

One Guardsman said that in barracks they never had tinned meat, except such as they bought at the canteen for their own pleasure. Personally, he said, he had no prejudice, and was quite content. One old Tommy said, against the occasional tin of devilled ham he bought, 'It tasted good until it went down all right with the wood.' (Tommy Atkins's expression for bread). Another soldier said a representative of *The Tribune* that in South Africa he had exactly the same 'tins of the stuff, as he was issued with in this country, so that he could not tell what it was made of, provided it tasted all right. He hoped the Government sees that it is all right." Remarked a [illegible] soldier.

THE EGYPTIAN INCIDENT.

HOW THE TROUBLE AROSE.

London, June 16th.—The Cairo correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* furnishes that journal with some further details touching the episode at Tantah. He states that Captain Bull, who was mortally injured by the villagers, shot a pigeon near a stack of dried forage, which took fire, whereupon a woman who was in charge of the farm screamed. The villagers tried to disarm the officers, and the troops arriving shot a native who was supplying Captain Bull with water.

THE STEAMER "GOTHIC."

SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION.

London, June 16th.—Owing to the theory of spontaneous combustion the inquiry held at Malta [illegible] of the wreckage of the ill-fated ship "Pitcairn Island," the Marine Court has exonerated the captain.

It is surmised in London that the fires which occurred recently on several New Zealand ships during their homeward voyage were due to the chemical constituents of sheep dips which were used before shearing.

EAST END ALIENS.

A "GENERAL BOOTH" DEPORTATION SCHEME.

London, June 16.—General Booth has been commissioned to send to a foreign country 10,000 East End aliens who do not speak the English language. They have been promised religious and political freedom.

The offers of employment emanated from official and private sources in Argentina, Brazil and Chili. General Booth is commissioned to select and assort only emigrants who are adapted for agricultural and specified Industrial employment.

THE EDUCATION BILL.

London, June 16th.—Mr. Balfour has tabled a motion in the House of Commons protesting against the Government's proposal for guillotining the Education Act by compartments on the ground that it is unjust and unfair to unduly limit so important a discussion.

Mr. A. Smith fears that the Government may be compelled to drop for the present the second part of the Education Act, though it is urgently needed in the interest of the Secondary schools.

COLONIAL MARRIAGES ACT.

London, June 16th.—The Colonial Marriages Bill, having passed the Committee stage of the House of Lords, agreed to, along with the Committee's amendments, before the House yesterday, when Lord Halsbury intimated that he would no longer offer any opposition to the measure.

The Bill, which has yet to pass the House of Commons, legalises all past and future colonial marriages with a deceased wife's sister.

BAMBAATA'S END.

London, June 16th.—The rebel chief Bambaata was shot through the body and arm.

His corpse was found near that of the chief Malabalazibi.

Both were killed in the battle fought in Mome Valley on the 10th instant.

THE AUSTRALIAN CRICKET DISPUTE.

MAJOR WARDILL'S VIEWS.

Major Wardill, M.C., Manager of the Australian Cricket Club, does not think that the Marylebone Club purposes ignoring Australia altogether by sending a team to New Zealand. Asked if he thought there was any chance of a team being sent to Australia next season, Major Wardill said: "I think that the Marylebone Club had agreed to a team visiting New Zealand, there was every reason to hope that a team would be sent to Australia if all the cricket bodies of the Commonwealth, the trustees of the Sydney Cricket Ground and the Melbourne C.C. united in an invitation to the Marylebone Club. The team of amateurs that was to visit New Zealand would be distinct altogether from any team that might visit Australia.

AT THE PRIME OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Adelaide, June 13.—The South Australian Cricket Association to-day sent telegrams to the trustees of the Sydney Cricket Ground and to the Victorian, New South Wales, and Queensland Cricket Associations, that they are entirely in accord with the suggestions which have been made to invite the Marylebone C.C. to send out an English team, the question of the appointment of a board of control to stand over for the present.

SPORT IN ENGLAND.

A Chapter of Accidents.

GROWTH OF BARRACKING IN ENGLAND.

GOLF; ENGLAND WIN THE INTERNATIONAL.

LONDON, JUNE 15.

The accidents that have already occurred during the season to C. B. Fry, Wass, Blythe, and others remind us that cricket, like all other manly pastimes, has its risks. The dislocation of fingers and so forth are merely incidents in the life of a wicket-keeper, and in other branches of fielding and in batting and bowling more or less serious accidents occasionally occur. The loss of the three men I have named is being severely felt by their respective counties. Sussex, who were very successful in 1905, went down recently before Kent, and even had a severe struggle to avert defeat at the hands of Hampshire. In the match with Lancashire, Kent were at a loss in the absence of Blythe when Tyldesley was running up his prodigious score, and in the end suffered defeat by ten wickets. Wass, whose bowling for Northamptonshire has been quite one of the most noticeable features of the season, broke down a few days ago, and the result to his county was a reverse at the hands of Surrey, while later in the week the need of his bowling was felt in the match with Essex.

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The truth is that county cricket has become quite and arduous and exacting pastime. When there were only a few counties ranked as first class, cricketers were able to obtain sufficient rest, but, at the present time, two or three counties are almost continuously engaged in the field—and others to only a slighter degree—from the beginning to the end of the season. Cricketers in general ought to be, and doubtless are, grateful to counties like Surrey and Yorkshire, which have done so much to promote the interests of the weaker counties. It was very largely due to them that the "promotions" took place, and they are always willing to put themselves to some inconvenience, and, perhaps, some loss, in order to help and encourage the poorer counties. One result of the multiplication of matches, however, has been that a number of amateurs who cannot afford to devote their whole time to the game have been virtually excluded from first-class cricket.

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The recent mention of C. T. Studd, the other day, reminds us that there is a common impression that the 1878 team included one or more of the Studd family. That is wrong, as the Studds came on the field later. The members of the eleven were: Edward and Alfred Lyttelton, A. G. and D. Q. Steel, A. P. Lucas, A. F. J. Ford, L. R. Jarvis, the Hon. Ivo Bligh (now Lord Darnley), P. H. Morton, F. W. Kingston, and H. Whitfield. Of these several gained great fame in the cricket field, but all have now gone out of first-class cricket, the last to make anything like a regular appearance in county matches having been Lucas. More than one of the team have distinguished themselves in politics, and it is little singular that Dr. Warre, who was a great rowing man, was succeeded at Eton by Edward Lyttelton, who was equally distinguished at cricket.

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Alfred Lyttelton played in the famous match at the Oval in 1884 when the Australians ran up a prodigious score against England. In connection with that match, unless my recollection misleads me, Mr. Lyttelton told an amusing story. While he was keeping wicket, under a broiling August sun, somebody went to his house and obtained his fur-lined overcoat on the representation that Mr. Lyttelton had been called into the country on professional business. In that particular match the ex-Colonial Secretary, for, I believe, the only time in his life came out as a successful bowler, getting the wickets with balls when the regular bowler had failed. The match was also peculiar in this respect, that in the course of it W. G. Grace occupied in turn every position in the field, finally taking the wicket when Lyttelton went on to bowl.

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It is a matter for much regret that "barracking," as they call it in Australia, seems to be growing in this country. At Nottingham in the Essex match the Douglas of many battles, who was doubtless [illegible] for his side very [illegible] at by the crowd for his defensive tactics. I can assure the Nottingham "lambs" that they would have had half an hour amongst them—a consummation for which, I have no doubt, he was wishing. Since my more youthful days I have taken but little interest in boxing, but I know enough of the subject not to lend trouble by going out of my way to offend one who is something like a champion of champions at his weight. In the match at the Crystal Palace again there was some exhibition of bad feeling towards W. G. Grace, above all people. All such things are bad for the reputation and stability of our national game.

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Middlesex had got together such a strong side to oppose Yorkshire that there seemed every prospect of an interesting cricket. Bosanquet, Hunt, Robertson, and Payne came in, and Colbeck, who played such a wonderful innings for Cambridge against Oxford last year, made his first appearance for the Metropolitan county. Apart from the absence of J. T. Hearne—kept out of the match through the death of his brother, Herbert—the eleven was about the best that Middlesex can command until later in the season. Unhappily, the cricket suffered both in quality and interest from the singularly unseasonable weather, a keen east wind rendering matters extremely disagreeable. In these circumstances the company of about four thousand people showed comparatively little enthusiasm, with the notable exception of much cheering from the boys of the Yorkshire Society's Schools, and the play suffered materially in interest from blunders in the field, the Middlesex men missing no fewer than seven chances, the majority of which should certainly have been held. These mistakes unquestionably spoilt the day's play.

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The annual professional golf match between England and Scotland, instituted at Prestwick in 1903, was played over the links of the Honourable Company of Edinburgh, at Muirfield. Of the three previous matches the Scottish team won the first by 9 points to 8, but at Sandwich, in 1904, and St. Andrews, last year, the contest ended in a draw. Yesterday the teams played as selected, except that Andrew Kirkaldy's place was filled by Tom Yeoman, of Sanford. The weather was obviously fine. A thick coating of turf having been left on them, the greens were not as keen as had been anticipated. Over three thousand visited the greens during the day. The match was played by singles in the forenoon and by foursomes in the afternoon. While there was little between the best-known players on either side in the forenoon play, the last six men on the Scottish side signally failed to realise expectations, and as a result England led at the interval by 8 points to 4, one point only being allowed for a win. Braid and Harry Vardon commanded a large following, and both playing faultless golf gave a grand exposition of the game, the present champion winning by a hole.

England thus won on the two matches by 12 points to six. Details:

SCOTLAND.		ENGLAND.	
James Braid (Walton H.)	1	J. H. Taylor (Mid-Surrey)	0
A. Kirkaldy (Huddersfield)	1	H. Vardon (Ghyllside)	0
Jack White (Innerleithen)	0	E. Ray (Ganton)	1
R. Thomson (N. Berwick)	1	Tom Vardon (Sandwich)	0
Tom Yeoman (Sanford)	0	Rowland Jones (Wimbledon)	1
Ben Sayers (N. Berwick)	1	A. H. Toogood (W. Essex)	0
J. Kinnell (Purley D.)	0	T. Williamson (Notts)	1
Tom Vardon (Ilkley)	0	P. J. Gaudin (Enfield)	1
J. Hepburn (Aberdeen)	0	J. Sherlock (Oxford)	1
W. Hunter (Richmond)	0	J. Ross (Cave of Bow)	1
J. Kirkaldy (St. Andrews)	0	G. H. Cawsey (Malvern)	1
B. Sayers, jun. (North Berwick)	0	W. E. Reid (Banstead)	1
Total	4	Total	8

FOURSOMES.			
Braid and Reid (Banstead)	0	Taylor and H. Vardon	1
White and Thomson	0	Ray and T. Vardon	1
Yeoman and Ben Sayers	0	Jones and A. Toogood	1
A. Kinnell and Duncan	1	Williamson and P. Gaudin	0
Hepburn and W. Hunter	0	J. Sherlock and Ross	1
J. Kirkaldy and B. Sayers jun.	1	G. Cawsey and W. Reid	0
Total	2	Total	4

English majority on both match 12 points.

THE OUTCASTS.

A PRE-NUPTIAL AFFAIR.

"It's a great bore, being engaged," said Phyllis. I tried to assume the air of profound dejection which I felt was expected of me. "I am sometimes afraid I don't do these things very well; at any rate, Phyllis misread my expression.

"You look decidedly bored," she went on.

"It isn't boredom," I protested; "it's acute misery caused by your last remark."

"That's silly," observed Phyllis judicially. "You know what I mean. They will leave us to ourselves."

"Why," I began, "only a week ago——"

"Oh, yes, but that was different. We weren't engaged then. But now——"

"After the climax I passed——" I suggested.

"They drew a circle round us, and walk on tiptoe outside it." Her voice grew quite indignant. "I think it's horrid of them. Why can't they treat us like ordinary reasonable people?"

"No doubt they mean it very well," I put in.

"Of course they do. That's the worst of them. I hate well meaning people. Where are you going?"

"As far as the edge of the circle," I said. "I'm going to try an experiment."

In June Lady Saltwood's rhododendrons are generally a great centre of attraction at her garden parties. But now that lady's daughter and I had them to ourselves. The situation seemed to need a remedy. I crossed the empty space, and found Fitzroy.

"Come and talk to Lady Phyllis," I said. Fitzroy looked at me, I thought, with a shade of suspicion in his face. Then his eye travelled down to my boots, and thence to his own.

"Delighted, I'm sure," he said at last. "But I'm afraid I must be looking out for my sister. It's about time we were moving on. See you at the Harrisons' to-morrow?"

"No," I said. "I'm staying on here." Fitzroy nodded, and smiled upon me. Someone ought to tell Fitzroy that his smile doesn't suit him.

I saw I must go to work more warily. I walked round till I came upon Mollius. Mollius is eminently well meaning.

"Do you know Lady Phyllis Landon?" I asked him.

"I haven't had the pleasure," he replied. "By the way, I ought to congratulate you——"

"Come and be introduced," I said firmly. He lifted his eyebrows a fraction of an inch. "By Joyce! don't you want to——?" He stopped.

"Thanks, very much," he concluded, rather limply. I bore him off in triumph.

Phyllis received him very graciously. I left them, and wandered off in search of entertainment. My quest was interrupted by Mrs. Hollingshead, who turned on me. "Captain Dale!" [illegible] long time since I've seen you. But I suppose one can't expect now——"

She smiled—a smile that seemed to have grown irritatingly familiar during the last few days. "Where's Phyllis?"

"I don't know," I lied. Mrs. Hollingshead became confidentially sympathetic at once.

"I thought you were looking rather gloomy," she said. "I saw her mother over there by the fountain just now. I don't expect she herself can be far off. Now, don't let me keep you."

She smiled the familiar smile again, and, with a nod of complete and tactful understanding, went back to the group she had just left. I went on obediently towards the fountain. Lady Saltwood received me with an air of benign proprietorship. "Where did you leave Phyllis?" she said presently.

"I think she's somewhere over there." I waved my hand vaguely round, a quarter of the horizon. "She seems to have found some old friends," I went on pathetically.

Lady Saltwood looked distressed. "I'm sure you needn't have come away. I wonder who they are. Shall we go over and look for them?"

I felt I had been imprudent. Mollius could hardly count as an old friend. Lady Saltwood was looking to me for help of the way. I started, decisively, away from the rhododendrons, and we found ourselves walking along the side of the drive. "Of course," she began, half apologetically, "people will turn up. But I should think she has got rid of them by now."

An impulse of truthfulness came over me. "Oh, I came away on purpose, you know," I ventured. "I am afraid your daughter will get rather bored if she has no society but mine." I felt that I wasn't putting the case well. My companion looked surprised, even a little pained.

"Oh, but I'm sure Phyllis doesn't feel overtired of [illegible] She's a most [illegible] girl, and I'm sure she's very happy—very happy indeed." She gave me a glance of rather ponderous archness. "I think you're perhaps just a little too diffident." I felt that this was a charge against which I must defend myself.

"I don't think you quite understand me," I expostulated. "I mean——" There came over me in a wave a feeling of the hopelessness of my task. "I mean that if a girl sees nothing of anybody but the man she's engaged to, however——" I thought that I'd get on together, if so—it's rather dull for her, isn't it?" I ended lamely.

"It ought not to be," said Lady Saltwood sternly. "But if you feel like that——"

The solid earth seemed to be giving way under me. "Oh, I don't feel like that at all," I said hastily.

"Well, you may take my word for it that Phyllis doesn't." She was determined to put me on my feet again. "Young people are always saying things they don't really mean," she generalised.

"I suppose they are," I acquiesced humbly. We walked on for some distance in silence. Then a carriage came up from behind us and stopped. They told me I should find you along here, Lady Saltwood," said Mrs. Hollingshead. "I must be getting off, I'm afraid. "Such a jolly time. Were you looking for Phyllis? I saw her over by the rhododendrons a few minutes ago." She pointed with her parasol, shooting a benevolent glance at me as she did so. "Good-bye!"

Lady Saltwood bore me off at once in the direction indicated. Phyllis was in the middle of an animated group. Mollius was the first to catch sight of us; he fell back several steps, and the others looked round. Their conversation failed off abruptly, and in two minutes they had scattered to the regulation distance. Lady Saltwood herself carrying off the only too-willing Mollius.

I waved my hand with a tragic, a despairing gesture, to the distant groups of figures around us. Phyllis looked up at me with a smile.

"Where have you been? I thought you were never coming back," she said.

—K. F. B. in *the World*.

THE B. E. S. GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL.

Amateur Theatricals.

A musical and theatrical entertainment was given last evening, by the girls of the Bombay Educational Girls' High School, in the spacious hall of the school premises at Byculla, Bombay, under the ægis of Rev. W. Kennedy, the new honorary secretary of the school. The entertainment was in aid of the school funds, and was very largely attended by friends of the institution. A large stage was erected in the hall and was artistically decorated, Mr. C. Brierley being responsible for the arrangements.

The programme for the evening opened with the Overture "Faust" by Mrs. Macnee, the head-mistress of the girls' school. A cornet solo followed, accompanied by Mr. Soondy on the violin, and Mr. A. Rhenius on the piano. This was a charming piece of instrumental music. Three more songs closed the musical part of the programme. Of those three songs, "Beloved, it is Morn" was one, sung by Mr. W. Phillips. Miss Hammett's selection was beautifully executed.

The theatrical part of the programme was a performance entitled "the Sleeping Beauty" in tourgeets which were interspersed with pictures pictablaux, the dramatis personæ being the Misses E. Bayve, Gertrude Robinson, Maud Salmon, Mabel Bayve, Sylvia Scott, Sylvia Chambers, Gertrude Dale, Mary Lamb, Ethel Windus, Aileen Frated, Janet Garrat and Kate Monk.

The whole programme proved a great success, thanks to the zeal and energy displayed in its organization by Mrs. Macnee, the head-mistress. Miss Savage who had prepared the girls for the performance, Mr. Arthur Wise and, last but not least, Mrs. Doyle who designed and arranged the dresses.

FAMINE IN INDIA.

The Affected Areas.

The Season and Crop Prospects for the week ending Saturday, 23rd June, give the following details.

UNITED PROVINCES.

Rain fell during the week throughout the Provinces and more has fallen since the close of the week. Fields are being ploughed for the autumn crops and sowings have commenced in places. Sugarcane is reported to be in good condition. Fodder is still scarce in large number of districts but the condition of the cattle, except in Bundelkhand and in Agra and Oudh, is generally good. Prices of food-grains have risen in thirteen districts, fodder is declining in Jaunpur and the Bundelkhand districts, but is still bad in Tehri.

The weekly report on the famine and scarcity is as follows:—The rainfall during the week was unequal and generally insufficient. The numbers of relief in Bundelkhand have increased but since the end of the week good rain has fallen and prospects have improved. Ploughing for the autumn crops has commenced. Gratuitous relief is being extended. Departmental works have been closed in Banda, Cawnpur, Agra and Etawah, Tahsil for schools is in great demand and seed for autumn crops is being distributed. Prices are stationary in Muttra, Etawah and Jalaun; are easier in Agra; and have risen in Cawnpure, Hamirpur and Banda. The numbers on relief are:—Allahabad Division—workers 85,000, on gratuitous relief 63,000; Agra Division—workers 14,000, gratuitous relief 10,000; total 187,000.

PUNJAB.

Rain fell during the week in all districts except Lahore, Lyallpur, and Multan. Prices of food-grains are unsettled; the price of wheat is rising in Hissar, Rohtak, Sialkot, Rawalpindi, and Lyallpur and falling in Gurgaon and Shahpur. Harvesting of spring crops is nearly over; weeding of cotton, sugarcane and tobacco is in progress in Sialkot; tobacco in Jullundur and extra spring crops in Mianwali are being reaped. Sowings of autumn crops continue, but more rain is urgently wanted for further sowings in Hissar and Sialkot. The condition and prospects of the standing crops is good and the outturn of spring crops is good all round. Cotton is somewhat damaged by grasshoppers in Amritsar, Mianwali and Sialkot; and sugarcane in Sialkot, and indigo in Multan, by insects. Cattle are in good condition except in Gurgaon and Jullundur, where they are lean owing to insufficient fodder and over-work. Fodder is sufficient except in Gurgaon and in parts of the Delhi district. There are no complaints regarding the water-supply.

NORTH-WEST FRONTIER PROVINCE.

There was no rain during the week except a fall of 33 cents reported from the Marwat tahsil. The condition of the standing crops on irrigated areas is good and on unirrigated average, except in Dera Ismail Khan, where it is below average and where rain is badly wanted for extra spring crops. Canal water is sufficient, except in Swabi. There is no irrigation from wells except in Dera Ismail Khan. The Indus river is rising. The condition of cattle is generally good, except in certain villages of the Peshawar and Bannu districts. Stocks of food-grains and fodder are sufficient. Prices are fluctuating. Prices:—wheat 15 1-4 to 19 maize 15 1-2 to 23; gram 16 to 19; *juari* 15 to 17 3-8 seers per rupee.

RAJPUTANA.

There was good rainfall during the week in Partabgarh, Udaipur, the Mewar hill tracts and in parts of Bikanir and Marwar, (in these places sowings have commenced); between 50 cents and 1 inch in Jaipur, Bharatpur, Alwar, Tonk, Shahpura and Bedwar; and elsewhere less rain. Land is being prepared for autumn sowings everywhere. The rain has replenished the water-supply in hill tracts but the deficiency is still felt in parts of Kishengarh, Dholpur and Ajmer. The condition of cattle has not yet improved in affected tracts and in Kotah where fodder is generally scarce. Prices have fallen in Kishengarh, Marwar and Partabgarh, and risen slightly in Tonk.

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CENTRAL INDIA.

The weekly report on the famine and scarcity is as follows:—The general position remains unchanged. Rain fell during the week over the Agency, Rajputana and Central India States. Agricultural operations are in progress. Grass is plentiful and stock are in fair condition in parts of Gwalior and Bundelkhand and fair to good elsewhere. Pasturage is bad in parts of Gwalior and Indore and scarce in Bundelkhand; prices are high in Gwalior, Indore and Baghelkhand; have fallen in Rutlam, and are steady elsewhere.

The weekly report on the famine and scarcity is as follows:—The general position remains unchanged. The numbers on relief are:—Gwalior—on works 46,500, on gratuitous relief 12,500, total 59,000. In Orchha, Datia, Samthar, Rewa, Charkhari, Panna Bijawar, Ajaigarh, Chhatarpur, Sirohi, and Jagira—on works 22,609, on gratuitous relief 3,600, total 26,209; grand total 85,209. Prices in Bundelkhand 13 seers per rupee.

CENTRAL PROVINCES.

Good rain was received during the week throughout the Provinces and the falls in some districts were very heavy: Balaghat received 22 inches; Nagpur 15¼ inches; Chanda 10 1-4 inches; Jubbulpore, Seoni, Betul, Wardha, and Bhandara 9 inches; Narsinghpur 8 inches; Mandla and Amraoti 7 inches; Damoh, Chhindwara and Yeotmal 6 inches; elsewhere the rainfall ranged from 1 inch in Raipur to 4 inches in Hoshangabad. Sowing of autumn crops has been started all over the Provinces. 6,000 immigrants passed through the Saugor district towards Bundelkhand. Sowings in Bilaspur provide ample work for labourers who are consequently forsaking other works and the condition of the people continues to be satisfactory. Swarms of locusts passed through Seoni, Hoshangabad, and Balaghat but did no damage; their appearance is also reported in Bhandara where steps are being taken against them. Fodder is scarce in parts of Chhindwara and Chanda and is very dear in Wardha and Akola. Prices of food-grains show a slight tendency to rise in the Jubbulpore Division and are still equal to or above the warning rates in nearly all districts; they continue equal to the scarcity level in Nimar, Wardha, Chanda, Bolaghat and Bilaspur.

BARODA.

For the week ending 16th June 1906. The numbers on relief are:—on works 2,757, on gratuitous relief 148, total 2,905.

The Bombay returns have already been published.

The number on relief was 171,201, a decrease of 510.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m. yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Deaths.	cases from all causes.
A—Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	5
B—Mandvi, Umbi, Cumballa and Dongri	0	0	14
C—Market, Dhobi Talao, Panjrapole, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	2	2	14
D—Khetwadi, Girgaum, Ghowsett, Walkeshwar, and Babulnath	0	0	3
E—Mazagaon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, and Kamathipura	0	0	11
Tanjeo, Byculla, and 1st [illegible]	0	0	11
[illegible]	1	1	16
[illegible]	0	0	9
[illegible]	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	0	11
Total	4	4	123
Total plague deaths to date	133,386		
Same date last year	9	0	62

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BY THE WAY.

THE LATE MR. SEDDON.

Mr. Seddon visited England in 1897 and received a very warm welcome. When he got back he gave some of his impressions of the Old Country to interviewers. He had, he said, seen much of men and cities both in the New World and in the Old, but nothing had effaced the impression made upon his imagination by London. At first London disappointed him, but in the end he felt that there could be no city in the world which contained so much vastness, wealth, and grandeur with so many glorious associations and traditions. "I saw," he said, "the American cities before, and Rome, Paris, and other great cities after, and my conclusion is unshaken that London is the greatest and grandest city of the world, a worthy centre of the Queen's magnificent Empire."

THE WEARING OF THE GREEN.

Many stories are told about Mr. Seddon. On one occasion an admiral of the fleet visiting New Zealand waters was being entertained by the late Mr. Ballance, an Ulsterman, who was Premier at the time, and in whose Government Mr. Seddon had a portfolio. After dinner the late Sir Patrick Buckley, who sat to the left of the admiral, asked Mr. Seddon to sing a song, whereupon the response came in a fine rendering of the "Wearing of the Green." The admiral became alarmed, and asked his neighbour, Sir Patrick, if the song was not treason. "I scarcely think so," replied the Celtic knight, "because Mr. Seddon is a Minister of her Majesty's Government, and the leading Orangeman of this assembly." "Well, then, it is all right, I suppose," added the relieved admiral.

THE NAGARIES OF THE ASTEROIDS.

The discovery of the minor planet Eros in 1898 was rendered particularly interesting by reason of the fact that it was found then in its [illegible] round the sun it crossed the orbit of Mars and approached nearer to earth than any other planet in the solar system. Other instances of departures from the normal movements of the planets had already been discovered in the extreme inclinations of the orbits of some of the asteroids to the Ecliptic, by reason of which at times they wander far outside the limits of the Zodiac. Planet "1906 T.G." (a provisional name for a recently discovered asteroid) has now provided another surprise inasmuch as its orbital eccentricity is so great that when furthest from the sun it is outside the orbit of Jupiter by some hundreds of millions of miles, a distance as great as it is inside the same planet's orbit when nearest to the sun.

MR. SEDDON AND THE TRANSVAAL.

It is an open secret that at the close of the South African war Mr. Seddon was a candidate for the Governorship of the Transvaal and in coming to England for the Coronation rites of the South African contest was not wholly unconnected with that ambition. He broke the journey at Capetown and travelled up to Johannesburg. As New Zealand in proportion to population had sent more contingents to the front than any other section of the Empire he might be considered as having established a claim to the position he sought. Moreover, he could point to the fact that probably, as a precedent, inasmuch as a former Prime Minister of New Zealand, the late Sir Frederick Weld, had been appointed successively Governor of Western Australia, Tasmania, and the Straits Settlements. But Mr. Chamberlain, or his advisers, thought the experiment would be too risky.

THE NEW R.B.A. PRESIDENT.

Mr. Alfred East, A.R.A., who has been appointed to succeed the late Sir Wyke Bayliss as President of the Royal Society of British Artists, is a native of Kettering. He could draw before he could talk, and actually used to teach drawing to his schoolfellows while he was still in pinafores. At the age of ten he got his first commission which was to enlarge pictures for a travelling lecturer, who paid him in tickets for himself and his friends. In spite of these early leanings his parents chose a different walk in life for their son, and had not circumstances taken him to Glasgow, where he first made the acquaintance of artists, he might never have become a painter. Many of his works find places in foreign galleries.

A MOST DIFFICULT CALLING.

Mr. East was once asked whether he would advise young fellows to devote themselves to art, and he made answer: "That I couldn't, for the reason that the calling is the most difficult I know. Any person who paints can call himself an artist, but unless you have gifts and an earnestness of purpose and will, which are by no means common, many years of practice before you can make a living. The reward is not at all commensurate with the amount of work and study which the profession entails. I don't think I should have become an artist had I known the difficulties which were in store for me. If Mr. East is dissatisfied with a painting off it goes. He has more than once taken a picture which won't have satisfied most critics off on hearing by means of soft soap just because it didn't quite please him.

THE CORPORATION OF TRINITY HOUSE.

How many people know the origin of the Corporation of Trinity House of which the Prince of Wales was re-elected Master for another year. The first charter was granted to the body by Henry VIII. in 1514. It was, however, from Elizabeth's reign conferred upon it a grant of arms in [illegible] that the Corporation received [illegible] to erect beacons and other [illegible] for the guidance of navigators along the coasts of England." The building of ships for the Navy was at this time also under the direction of the body. Later on, for a short period, the Corporation was dissolved but the charter was renewed by James II. in 1685.

THE "LONDON SCOTTISH" MARCH THROUGH THE HIGHLANDS.

Arrangements have been completed for the August route march from Ballinluig to Inverness of the London Scottish Rifle Volunteers, three hundred of whom are expected to take part. They will take all their transport, will travel in full marching order, and will do their own cooking during the week they are in Scotland. Detraining at Ballinluig Junction on the morning of August 11, the detachment will proceed by the Perth to Inverness road to Dunkeld, and probably will take Kip Pass to Blair Atholl, encamping there. The next places on the following days will be by Struan, Loch Garry, through the Pass of Drumochter to Cluny Castle, Kingussie, Tomatin Moy, Daviot, and to Inverness. Possibly a deviation may be made to visit the battlefield of Culloden.

HOSPITAL SUNDAY.

Next Sunday is Hospital Sunday, and as usual the Hospital has published a special number giving many interesting facts bearing on the Sunday Fund and the work of the hospitals. The Fund, we learn, now raises each year nearly three times as much as it did in the first year of its establishment: Yet the total amount of money contributed to the ninety-four voluntary hospitals in the county of London in 1905 was £1,381,093, as compared with £807,785 in 1894

UNDER THE TWO ENSIGNS.

WHEN Mr. Haldane took office he announced that he had received an assurance from Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman that, even if greater expenditure were required upon military defences, that expenditure should be made. In the House of Commons on Thursday, in the course of the discursive discussion upon the Army Estimates, he did not deny that he had the question of reduction "very closely" in his mind, and though he is not ready with an announcement, he will make a statement regarding these reductions early in July. We challenge Mr. Haldane to produce any high military testimony to the effect that Army reduction is justifiable. He has the opinion of Lord Kitchener that the Indian Army is too small for its duties. He has the plain statement of Lord Roberts that we must be able to put 500,000 men in the field. He has the judgment of the War Commission, and he has the strong belief of all classes of persons whose opinion upon this matter has any value whatever. We do not wish to prejudge his proposed statement, but we will declare that a policy which sets "retrenchment" before sufficiency and efficiency is a policy disloyal to the true interests of the country, and a menace to its welfare. Let him, and those who urge him to a disastrous policy, hesitate to sow the wind lest they be execrated hereafter by those who reap the whirlwind. In all that Mr. Haldane said on Thursday there was nothing to show that he had in his mind anything but false economy. Being urged by Sir C. Rasch to take a leaf out of the Book of the Austrian cavalry, he said that more money was spent upon the cavalry in Austria and France, "but we have to consider the proportion of means to the end." The end is efficiency and the means are the spending of money to attain it. But what does Mr. Haldane imply, if it be not that the means are with him more than the end? Is a rich country like this to be content with something worse than the best? So, too, with the barrack question. We do not enter into the wisdom of building barracks at Norwich, but there is an undisguised confession that the comfort and the health of our soldiers are to be sacrificed to the stupid fetish of "retrenchment."

We emphatically agree with Sir Robert Giffen in this month's *Nineteenth Century* that the Regular Army is dangerously small already, and that retrenchment in the Army is little less reasonable or practicable than retrenchment in the Navy. For a long period the Service was consistently starved, and the Army so much reduced, that the peace training could not be carried on properly. It was unfitted to bear any strain, and when the strain came the whole machinery creaked, vast expenditure was involved, and scores of millions were spent in concluding a war which, if we had been prepared, would have been brought to a speedy end. And yet that war was one that made comparatively small demands upon us. We "muddled through," but can we feel sure that we shall not be engaged ere many years have passed, with a first-class modern army? Most of the great military expenditure of recent years has been due to national parsimony in the past. We reduced the garrison of Egypt to tempt the aggression of the Turks. Are we now to tempt the aggression of greater Powers by reducing the essentials of our military organisation? To do so would be nothing less than national suicide. Therefore, let Mr. Haldane be wise and cautious in all that he proposes. If he seeks peace, let him ensure it. *Si vis pacem para bellum.* The great expenditure made upon the Navy saved us from a far more tremendous conflict when we were embroiled in South Africa. A proper outlay upon the Army will have the same effect in the future.

Royston's Horse, which has already had some hard fighting in Zululand, and will certainly do good service, is a very remarkable corps, named after its distinguished leader, Lieut.-Colonel J. R. Royston, C. M. G., D. S. O., whose great services in the former Zulu War and in the defence of Ladysmith and the operations in Natal, as well as in the Transvaal during the South African War, have given him world-wide reputation. On April 19 Colonel Royston was commissioned to raise a regiment, and as soon as the fact became known he was inundated with applications from those who wished to join. Cables were received from England, India, Ceylon, and some of the distant colonies, and so great was the desire to serve that ex-officers of the Army and Volunteers joined as troopers. Within six days of the formation of the regiment, the full strength had been reached, and within eleven days the corps, 550 strong, was *en route* for Dundee. About thirty of those serving in the ranks had previously held commissions in the Auxiliary Forces at home or in Natal, and every trooper in the corps had seen previous active service. Several of the officers possessed the D.S.O., and not a few of the non-commissioned officers and men held the Distinguished Service Medal. A great deal of work fell upon Major Knott, the Adjutant, who was especially selected on account of his past services and his knowledge of regimental routine. Among the other officers are Major A. W. Fraser, who once served in the Queen's Edinburgh Rifle Volunteers; Captain Cecil Thorp, who was captain and quartermaster of the Imperial Light Horse; and Captain G. Godson-Godson, who was in the Intelligence Department during the war. Royston's Horse is a signal example of what can be done in organising military forces in our colony. It is a fine body of officers and men, fit for anything.

Colonel Pollock is to be congratulated upon the success which has attended the training of the *Spectator* Experimental Company at Hounslow. The War Office has given encouragement and afforded facilities, and Mr. Haldane has visited the encampment. On Tuesday the corps was summoned to Windsor, where his Majesty had signified his pleasure to receive them. They left Hounslow at six o'clock in the morning, and marched the distance of twelve miles. They were inspected by the King in the Quadrangle, his Majesty being accompanied by Queen Alexandra, and Sir John French and other officers were present. Various evolutions were performed with particular smartness, the march past was notable for its steadiness, and the King congratulated Colonel Pollock upon the smart appearance and fitness of the men. "You are," he said, "conducting an interesting experiment and one of national importance." The importance of the experiment is, we believe, with special reference to the proposed training of six months to be given experimentally to certain battalion of the Militia. The men are of a very good class, and have come to their duties with keenness and interest, and they have been spared some of the fatigue duties which, though they have a distinct value in forming the character of men, do interfere so much with actual military work. We do not think that the experiment has taught Army officers anything they did not know, but it is an exceedingly valuable illustration of what can be accomplished in the particular conditions, and of what may be done with the Militia, if the state of the labour market makes it possible for young men to give up six months to the work. Colonel Pollock himself has never laid claim to the extravagant pretensions which some critics have attributed to him. He desired to show what could be accomplished if military essentials were adhered to, but he does not say that the training will be complete, because soldiers have other duties to learn. Yet he has certainly demonstrated that more is possible than some have imagined. The men are about half way through their training now, and we hope a report will be presented upon their efficiency in all military essentials when the six months' training has been gone through.

Another series of articles of a useful nature has been begun in the *Morning Post* on "Naval Education." The writer describes the three schools of thought which he believes are representative of these persons whose opinions differ on this subject. The first school, he says, magnify unduly the present work of the naval officer, and have come to believe that the active man cannot master the knowledge required to work the motive mechanism combined with that necessary to handle the ship. This school wishes to limit the military branch to navigating and fighting the ship, and desire to retain a special body of officers called Engineers to control the motive mechanism—an arrangement quite contrary to the practice of the sailing Navy. To this school belong the more conservative and older elements in the Navy. The second school is recruited from the engineering profession, who, knowing little or nothing either about the sea or about war, think that a very high scientific knowledge of engineering in the larger sense is necessary. They confuse the care and management of machinery with its design and construction, and they forget that hundreds of engines are run and maintained in very sufficient order by men who have not a scientific but a practical knowledge of their business. This school it is that wishes to see the engineering profession assume greater importance in the Navy. Some would have this attained by giving greater power and authority to a separate engineer branch with the dual control and increased friction that this would bring out. Others are content that the control of the ship and the engines should be in the same hands, but they ask for a standard of engineering knowledge "more appropriate to a Penn, a Mauledsley, a Parsons than to a naval officer."

Mr. Frank T. Bullen, whose lectures in Australia have been very successful, wrote his first story about ten years ago, and was accepted. Another story appeared in the "Cornhill." Then he started to write "The Cruise of the Cachalot," turning out 5000 words a day. He took it to the publishers of the "Cornhill," Messrs. Smith, Elder, and Co. On the advice of their reader, who had reported favourably, but was "afraid it was too far-fetched," they decided to published four chapters of the book as articles in the "Cornhill," paying him £50 for them. They were successful, and then he sold them the rest of the book for another £50. Although he had thus parted with his rights, the publishers gave him £500 more as a present.

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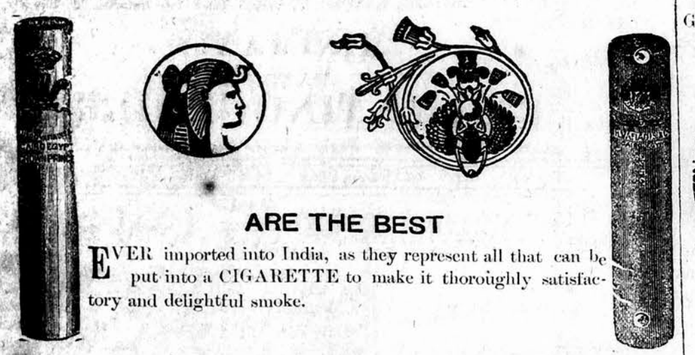

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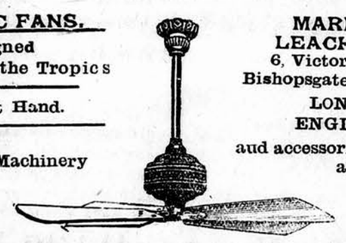

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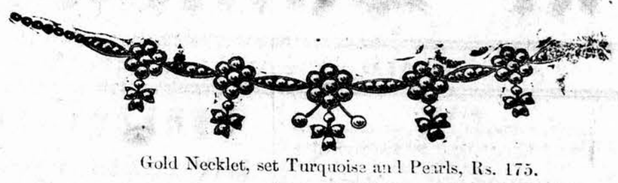

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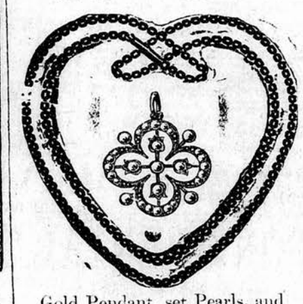

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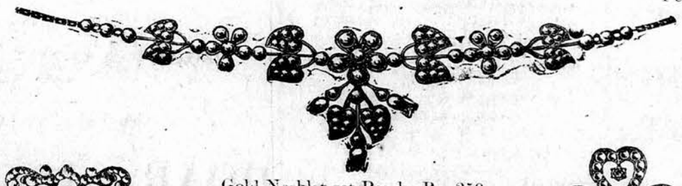

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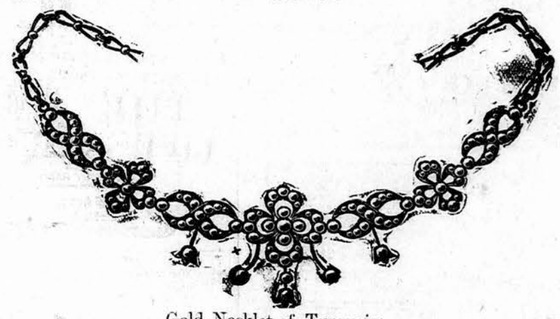

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